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U. S. Throws Weight Behind Indonesians In Fight With Dutch

PARIS, Dec. 21 (AP)—The United States tonight threw full diplomatic support to the Indonesian republic in its conflict with the Dutch.

Announcement of this decision by an American spokesman came as Indonesian spokesmen said the republic's forces had recaptured their capital from the Dutch at Jogjakarta in a rebellion sweeping Java. The Dutch embassy quickly denied that Jogjakarta had fallen back to the Republicans.

(The Dutch announced in Batavia today the capture of Soerakarta, second largest city of the Indonesian republic.

Tjepoe, oil center in Central Java, also fell before the advancing Dutch armies, military headquarters reported.

(No details on the capture of Soerakarta were given. Indications were, however, that Republican resistance was not heavy. The city presumably fell to ground troops advancing south from Semarang through Central Java).

A United States spokesman said his Government intends to insist in the United Nations Security council tomorrow that Dutch troops return to the positions they held before launching the current offensive, and that fighting cease immediately.

The U S delegate, Dr Philip C Jessup, also will demand the release of Republican leaders seized by the Dutch in their surprise capture of Jogjakarta and other areas of the republic.

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THESE ARE THE three demands the Indonesian Republicans had put forth earlier in the day.

The demands are being written into a resolution which Jessup will place before the Security council when it meets tomorrow morning to discuss the dispute.

A Dutch foreign office spokesman at The Hague, informed of the nature of the American resolution, declared "it cannot be expected that we will comply with these demands."

American delegation leaders said they were confident of getting enough support among council members for passage of the resolution. They had thought earlier that a cease fire order was the most they could expect to get from the council.

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JESSUP IS DRAFTING the texts of the resolution and his own statement supporting it under express instructions from Washington.

R. Soedjatomoko, spokesman for the republican delegation to the council, insisted lightly armed forces of the republic had driven Dutch parachute troops from Jogjakarta before reinforcements could arrive.

He conceded the Indonesians might not be able to hold the city long, but added "it is clear that the fighting in Indonesia will be a long drawn out affair, going on inexorably until the complete exhaustion of Netherlands military and economic resources."

Soedjatomoko said the population of West Java and East Java have risen against Dutch occupation troops, and that fighting is going on now in the towns of Kuningan, Tasikmalaja and Buitenzorg in Western Java, and in Bondowoso and Propolinggo in Eastern Java.

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A DUTCH SPOKESMAN said his government might accept a cease fire order from the Security council if the main Dutch army action in Java and Sumatra had been completed by tomorrow. He insisted a

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'Shop Lifter' Agrees To Repay Stolen $7

A 22-year-old Pottstown girl who took the wallet of Nancy Schaeffer, of 24 East Fifth street and then wrote Nancy a derisive letter, agreed yesterday to repay the stolen $7.

The girl, Helen Rose, of 705 Beech street also was given a reprimand by Burgess William A. Griffith in borough hall. No legal action was taken, since Miss Schaeffer declined to prosecute.

But Rose was placed on probation by the burgess and ordered to report to him once a week in borough hall.

The wallet was stolen the past week in a High street store. A few days later, Nancy received the insulting letter signed by "Thoughtful Shop Lifter."

The "Shop Lifter," as the letter was signed, also agreed to pay for the Mercury lost ad that prompted her to write Nancy.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy today. Generally fair and moderately cold tomorrow. Colder tomorrow night.

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TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were.

4 a. m	28	4 p m.	40
5 a. m.	29	5 p m.	40
6 a. m	27	6 p m	35
7 a m	26	7 p m	32
8 a m	27	8 p m	31
9 a m	31	9 p. m.	29
10 a m	33	10 p m	28
11 a m.	36	11 p. m.	26
12 m.	40	12 p m.	23
1 p m	40	1 a m.	22
2 p m	40	2 a m	22
3 p m.	40	3 a. m.	22

Man Admits Rape-Slaying Of Girl, 10

CHICAGO, Dec 21 (AP)—An admitted marijuana smoker signed a statement today which authorities said related in vague terms" the rape-strangling of 10-year old Roberta Rinearson

He is Herlindo Perez Arias, 31, a Chicago laborer and naturalized citizen of Mexican origin. He was picked up by Hammond police early Monday roaming aimlessly along a Hammond highway.

Arias attempted to escape when police turned him over to immigration authorities today for investigation. While being questioned about his citizenship status, he suddenly blurted out: "I choked that girl."

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ARIAS WAS BROUGHT to Chicago for further questioning

Authorities did not say immediately how much they believed his story.

One of the hottest clues police had was a man's handkerchief found near the girl's body Saturday bearing the initial "P"

Police also were investigating the story of a suburban Riverside youth who related to them that two men had shot a revolver at him The boy told police he later found a penciled note, near the shooting It said, "Meet me at 22d street bridge Tuesday We got to get away They got your handkerchief."

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AFTER SIGNING a statement at Hammond, Arias was asked whether he used marijuana cigarets, a narcotic. He said he smoked some

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Quentin Roosevelt Among 33 Killed in Chinese Air Crash

SHANGHAI, Wednesday, Dec 22 (AP)—A Chinese airliner, with Quentin Roosevelt among the passengers, crashed near Hong Kong yesterday. All 33 persons aboard were killed.

Col. Roosevelt

Mrs Theodore Roosevelt Jr said in New York that she had received word from her son, Cornelius, in Hong Kong that the body of his brother had been identified as one of the victims

Mrs Roosevelt said that Cornelius had telephoned from Hong Kong and quoted him as saying he himself identified the body.

Charles Sundby a Danish national, was the pilot The air field reported all aboard except Roosevelt, the grandson of President Theodore Roosevelt, and Sundby were believed to be Chinese.

The plane was a C54 Skymaster

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Tojo Awaits Death Calmly, Writes 'Last Testament'

TOKYO, Wednesday, Dec. 22 (AP)—Hideki Tojo, waiting to die on the gallows with six associates in war and aggression, has completed his "last testament to the world," a Japanese priest reported today.

General MacArthur's headquarters is believed to have set the hour for the executions, but there was no indication when they would take place. MacArthur was notified officially yesterday that the U. S. Supreme court will not intervene.

Shinsho Hanayama, Buddhist chaplain at Sugamo prison, said the condemned men were resigned to their fate and were seeking contentment through religion in their final days—or hours. At first, he said, the shock of their death sentence made them unable to eat or sleep for several days.

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Pottstown Heads Down Homestretch in Annual Santa Claus Derby

—Mercury Staff Photos

As the thundering herd galloped down the stretch in another Christmas shopping derby, scenes like the above were commonplace Mankind as the beast of burden is shown in the first two pictures from the left. Santa, the ever-intent, was hearing the tremulous plea of little Carol Ann Hawthorne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hawthorne, 516 Chestnut street; while, right, Irene Carol Martin, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Martin, 910 High street, and Ernest Overdorf, also 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nevin D. Overdorf, Parkerford, were rapturous sidewalk engineers of a window display toy train.

Borough Looks for No Boost in Tax Rate

FEDERAL AGENTS UNCOVER STILL

Old Barn Near Telford Used to Turn Out $40,000 Worth of Alcohol a Day

By Staff Correspondent

TELFORD, Dec 21 — A huge still that was producing $40,000 worth of untaxed alcohol a day was uncovered this afternoon by a 15-man police raid led by Federal agents, on a barn along Frederick road, Telford RD, Franconia township

A pig farmer living in the farm house, Robert Gradel, told agents he had rented his dilapidated barn for $100 a month to several men three weeks ago.

He insisted he did not know the purpose to which the high-paying tenants were putting his barn

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JULIO CAPROTTI, 27, of Norma, N J was seized by police after a 100-yard chase across a snow-covered field He was seen leaving the barn by the five-car raiding party as it approached.

He was taken to the U. S. commissioners office in Philadelphia for arraignment, joining two men picked up early this morning a mile from the barn as they drove a truck containing 25 cans of untaxed alcohol.

These other suspects were Anthony Serafino, 27, and William De Dano, 26, both of Philadelphia.

Agents of the Federal alcohol tax unit said they had been watching the barn for the past ten days after, they were tipped off by nearby residents who grew curious about the smell of cooking mash that pervaded the region

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WITH THE FEDERAL men were State agents of the Liquor Control board, Collegeville State Troopers H. L Asper and James O'Brien, and Montgomery County Detective Charles Eiler.

The still was 28 feet high, with four vats with a total capacity of 40,000 gallons. Federal men estimated the still was costing the U. S. government $36,000 a day in liquor taxes.

Agents said the alcohol was taken to a Philadelphia distributing point. They expect further arrests.

MAY CHANGE NAME

WILKES-BARRE, Dec. 21 (AP)—Sugar Notch citizens are considering a proposal to change the name of the borough to the town of Roosevelt.

Pottstown Homes Glow Brightest In Many a Christmas Season

Making up for time lost during the war years' blackout, more and more Pottstonians are making the nights colorful with imaginative and elaborate outdoor Christmas decorations.

Large Christmas trees tastefully decorated with multicolored lights; spotlighted roof-top Santa Clauses, with sleigh and reindeer, and doors and windows outlined in gay lights are making their appearance in Pottstown homes

Add to these the traditional wreaths and candles in windows, illuminated bushes in front of homes, and already in some cases, Christmas trees glowing with splendor behind holly-festooned windows, and you have a Yuletide scene of brilliance and color that during the war years of power conservation and blackout was a fond dream.

Vincent R. Schweitzer, 277 Diamond street, summed up the feeling of many a home owner when he said, "What's Christmas without this, anyhow?"

"This" was the illumination that Schweitzer was arranging outside his home working cheerfully on a cold, windy night with wires and bulbs

In addition to the electric candles that glow in his front windows, Schweitzer has illuminated the bushes in front of his house and placed a large star under each.

Next year, he says, he wants to have a procession of eight reindeer marching up his terrace, with St. Nick ready to bestow his gifts

Decorating the house at Christmas time is a family tradition with Schweitzer. His family in Reading always observed the custom, and Schweitzr has been carrying it out since he moved to Pottstown three years ago.

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ERNEST H STRUCKMANN has topped the roof of his home at 21 Maplewood drive with a Santa Claus pack on back, all set to come down the chimney.

Illuminated by a spotlight, the figure shines brightly on a North End hill, attracting motorists who often bring their children and drive slowly along Maplewood drive.

Mrs Struckmann declared that

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Elmer J. Jackson Elected President of Brookside Board

Elmer J Jackson, vice president the past four years of the board of governors for Brookside country club, was elected president last night without opposition

He succeeds Floyd E Seeders, president for the past four years, who declined to endanger a club precedent by seeking a fifth term.

Two other new officers were chosen at the re-organization meeting Jacob R Sotter, first vice president and Dr. Charles A. Baylor, second vice president.

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DR BAYLOR SUCCEEDS W Elwood Schmearer, a veteran board member who declined to enter the past week's board election.

Benjamin H Longaker and Dr. Karl R Stone were named to their second terms as secretary and treasurer, respectively

As was the case with Jackson, there was no opposition for the other four posts.

C Allyn Brown Richard W. Page and W Kenneth Nichols—the three new board members elected the past week—were present The seven other incumbent members present were

M. Burr Edwards, George A. Lessig Larry E Orgill Whitney A. Sanders, Karl Schumacher, Robert P Smith and Seeders.

Sledders Get Protection; Snow Clearance Ends

The borough street-cleaning brigade washed its hands of snow yesterday. From now on the sun will have to be its undoing.

They also made sledding safe for thousands of belly-flopping kids by barricading blocks on many hilly streets Except in a few spots, there was enough of Sunday's six and a half inch fall left for good coasting

Standing at 40 degrees for four hours yesterday afternoon, the mercury and a bright sun turned some of the big mantle into slush, particularly on well-traveled streets.

The slush may jell today, however, the weatherman said, forecasting colder and cloudy today with fair and colder tomorrow.

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THE UTILITIES GOT through Sunday's snow with hardly a batted eyelash But yesterday one stroke of a Reading railroad company workers pickax cut off 225 telephone subscribers' service south of the Schuylkill river.

Digging on the south side of the Hanover street crossing at 10 50 o'clock yesterday morning, one of the workers bit his pick into a cable containing 278 pairs of wires.

At the peak of the emergency, 225 'phones were out in South Pottstown, Hanover Heights, Kenilworth and other points along the river road

Willard L. Kline, Bell company branch manager, said some 'phones went back into operation after the pressure on the cable was relieved by cutting away metal sheathing around it.

But for most of the day, 149 telephones were dead.

Office-to-office calls to Linfield, Royersford, Spring City and Phoenixville were out for a time but were rerouted via Norristown even though completion time was lengthened.

Service was fully restored at 7 p m.

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W. EARL POTTEIGER, street

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Christmas to Be White, Weatherman Says

"Put your dreams away," as Frankie Boy sometimes sings You can quit dreaming of a White Christmas, The weatherman says it's in the bag.

There won't be any more snow before Christmas, he said, but what's around will stay put Very extended forecast for the big day "Cloudy, moderately cold, chances 50-50 for snow or rain."

Meanwhile, yesterday was a good day for sleeping. There was less sunshine than on any other day of the year — nine hours and 20 minutes, to be exact

It was also the beginning of Winter. All this snow and everything, has only been late Fall.

TOYS TO GO OUT TO NEEDY TODAY

Parents Unable to Buy Playthings May Get Them From Salvation Army

Hundreds of toys for children of all ages, will be given away at the Salvation Army citadel, 262 King street, today to parents of needy families Capt Meral Cox announced yesterday.

The toys some of them reconditioned, others brand new will be given away so that no child will be disappointed on Christmas Day, Capt Cox said.

Parents who are unable to buy toys for their children this year may call at the citadel any time between 9 o'clock this morning and 5 o'clock this afternoon to select games and playthings for their youngsters. They are asked to bring with them a list showing the ages of their children.

Toys and games for children ranging between infancy and 14 years of age are on hand for distribution, Capt. Cox said.

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INCLUDED IN the assortment are roly polys, stuffed animals and pull toys for toddlers, drums, tops, boats, trucks, and children's furniture for older youngsters, and games and dolls for children up to 14

A few nursery rockers also will be given away.

Christmas parties for children of the Salvation Army Sunday school will be held Saturday night and Monday, Capt. Cox went on to say.

The Saturday night party will be held at the citadel for children who attend Sunday school there, while the party for Hillside children will be held Monday morning and that for Penn Village children Monday afternoon.

A full hour of motion pictures will mark all three events Each child will be gifted with new underwear candy, fruit and a brief case for their school books.

Santa Claus will appear on the program, which also will include carol singing.

Christmas baskets for the poor will be distributed tomorrow.

Budget Draft For 1949 Keeps Present Levy

By ED ROSENBERG
(Mercury Staff Writer)

The tentative 1949 borough budget, which will be presented to council next month, will call for no rise in the 14-mill tax rate, and for no new taxes. Leading borough officials confirmed this last night.

Borough manager Dow I. Sears yesterday had nearly completed his work on the tentative budget. After the Jan. 10 council meeting, committees will begin their individual discussions on their departmental problems before the final draft of the budget is drawn up.

Burgess William A. Griffith, although unable to comment last night on the tax picture for 1949, said he would recommend that the Citizens' Committee for the Equalization of Assessments meet early next year.

This group has not met for nearly a year. It was formed to bring the assessments of Pottstown homes and business places up to what the committee members considered a fair figure in view of current real estate values.

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IN SOME QUARTERS, it has been felt that equalizing assessments would provide the borough with sufficient needed revenue next year without increasing the tax burden.

In their successful 1947 campaign the Democrats here emphasized borough improvements without tax increases and now are trying to keep that promise in the coming election year of 1949

C. Roy Bush, council president said that the tentative budget called for neither a tax rise nor wage increases for borough workers, but "I can't say what will result from the committee meetings next month."

Bush added the extensive road

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Hoover Commission Told Of Record-Keeping Costs

WASHINGTON, Dec 21 (AP)—The Hoover commission got a report today that the government spends $1,200,000,000 a year keeping records. A "task force" of the commission put forward a plan it said would be better and cheaper.

It estimated that the government's 18,000,000 cubic feet of records would fill six Pentagon buildings.

The commission, headed by former President Herbert Hoover, was told by the task force that more than half of the total records in the average organization or government or business can be eliminated from office space.

Cent-a-Quart Drop in Milk Prices Certain for Area by First of Year

The price of milk in the Pottstown area will almost certainly drop one cent a quart on Jan. 1.

All that is left before the Pennsylvania Milk Control commission announces the cut is a routine meeting (ordered by law) with producers and dealers

Yesterday the commission in Harrisburg drew up tentative orders for the decrease. Announcement must be made six days before any order takes effect so deliberations must end before Sunday.

The New Year's day slash is the first step toward resumption of the former seasonal rise and fall of milk prices which was in effect before a one and a half-cent boost the past August tumbled the apple cart.

The plan calls for one-cent cuts Jan 1 and April 1 and one-cent increases July 1 and Oct 1.

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THE DROP on New Year's would mean local milk prices would fall from 22 to 21 cents a quart and a decrease of 40 cents per hundredweight (46½ quarts).

Areas to be affected by the ruling are Philadelphia, sub-

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Kids Think Kids Are Simply Great, Moose Find After Party for Both

Some 400 kids at the annual Christmas party of Pottstown lodge 369, Loyal Order of Moose, last night got a look at some real kids.

A six-goat vaudeville show from Philadelphia which included a couple of kids, was the main entertainment at the big affair for members' children from ten years down

The goats, who could do practically anything theatrical dogs do — plus smell worse — walked on their knees, walked on a suspended ladder, push each other in baby coaches and stacked themselves in a pyramid on a pedestal.

The party was opened with an invocation by the Rev. George A Lineker pastor of Christ Episcopal church, which is next to the Moose home Mrs Earl S Stranger accompanied Christmas carol singing on the piano

Later a Santa distributed boxes of candy, oranges and toys, which included balls, novelties and plastic chemical sets The affair lasted two and a half hours.

NEARLY 120 CHILDREN were entertained at Christmas parties given by the Pottstown Kiwanis, Lions and Optimist clubs last night.

The Kiwanians greeted 23 boys and girls in the Elks home.

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ON THE MAIN DRAG

GEORGE LANZ
—interrupting a telephone conversation.

MARGARET REPKO
—stumbling with an armful of packages.

A. E. WILLAUEE
—touching up a window display.

HENRY SELTMAN
—taking a spill from his sled.

MILTON WENSEL
—admiring his stock.

DAWN BIEHL
—admiring her friends.

LORENZ ACKERMAN
—selling Christmas lights.

ROSEMARIE FORKE
—recovering from a tumble.

DAVID McCARTNY
—throwing snowballs.

THOMAS LAWLER
—dreaming of a fall from a fire ladder.

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Eire Cuts Final Ties With Britain, Opens Way for Freedom

DUBLIN, Eire Dec 21 (AP)—Eire cut its last slim constitutional tie with Britain today and cleared the way for proclamation of a full-fledged independent republic of Ireland

President Sean T O'Kelly made the break official by signing a bill which repealed the external relations act and takes Eire out of the British Commonwealth. Under the external relations act Eire's diplomats abroad were accredited by King George.

The final act of proclaiming the republic will be delayed while representatives of Britain and Eire smooth out questions created by the new relationship This proclamation probably will come after Jan. 21.

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THESE QUESTIONS include the citizenship status of thousands of Irish who work in Britain and whether Ireland will continue to enjoy the special trade privileges she had as a member of the Commonwealth

British Prime Minister Attlee has promised that any Irishman may be registered as a British citizen upon application to the home secretary, provided he speaks English, is of good character and has been in Britain a year or is a member of the civil service. An act of parliament may be required to carry out his promise.

Another question to be settled is whether Irishmen in Britain will be liable for military conscription Viscount Jowitt, Lord Chancellor, told the House of Lords recently that an Irishman could be conscripted under the present law and that the government had no plans to change the law at present

Eire became a free state in 1921 after the Anglo-Irish war of 1919 21 that climaxed bloody skirmishes and uprisings going back to 1169 when the English invaded the island.

Forced to Move

Actor Humphrey Bogart (above) and his wife, Lauren Bacall, were forced to leave their beautiful Beverly Hills home yesterday The landlord? No. It was there two boxers who forced the evacuation when they brought a skunk into the hallway and killed it. It was a fully equipped, jet-powered skunk. The couple expects to be gone "for at least a week."

Fire Claims 2 Lives In Philadelphia Hotel

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 21 (AP)—A fire in a Philadelphia hotel early today trapped and killed a 51 year-old man and a 73-year-old woman Two other guests and a fireman were burned, 95 persons fled to safety

The blaze in one section of the Westminster hotel on Chestnut street, was discovered by William McKinley, 38 a second-floor guest who — clad only in shorts — ran through the halls shouting "Fire"

His alarm aroused other guests who fled into the freezing streets in their night clothes.

The victims who died of suffocation were Charles Mace, retired Marine corps sergeant and Mrs Madeleine Drost, both residents of the hotel

The man's body was found in his bedroom closet Firemen said they believe he had took the closet door for that to the hallway and was felled by the heat in the small enclosure

Mrs Drost they said, might have been saved if she had remained in her room with the door closed to prevent the flames sweeping through.

Treated for burns in Graduate Hospital were Thomas Matthews, 54, and Charles J Wols, 35, guests and Michael Kozak, 31, a fireman Matthews was burned on the soles of both feet as he raced from his room without shoes.

Woman Uses Her Shoe To Rout Purse-Snatcher

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 21 (AP) — As long as Mrs Evelyn Hatton has her shoes handy, she's ready for anything.

Mrs Hatton said she was accosted last night by a purse-snatcher "I took off my shoe and whopped him in the face He ran. And I still have my purse," she reported.

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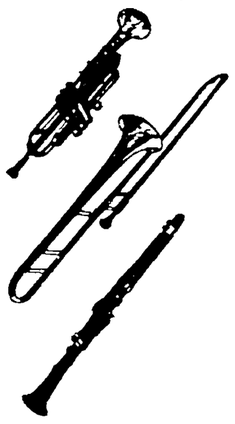

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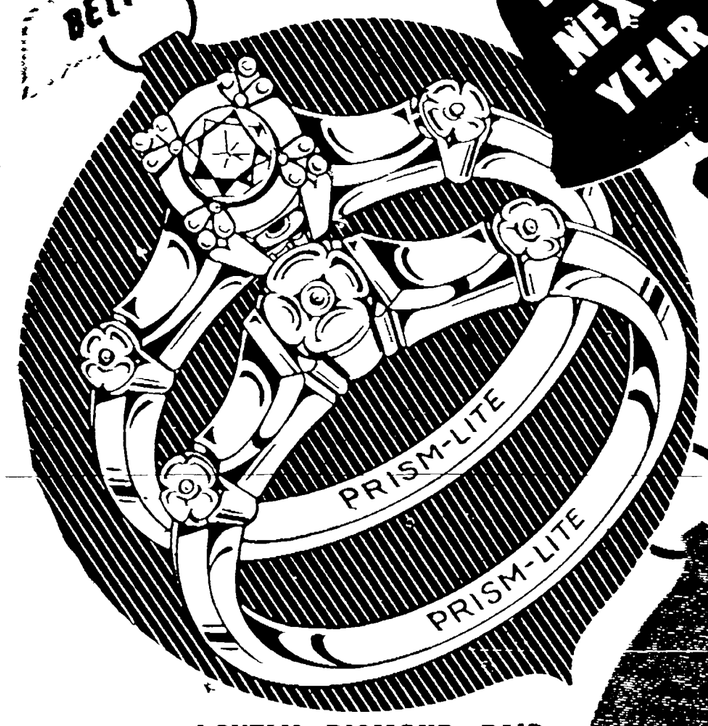

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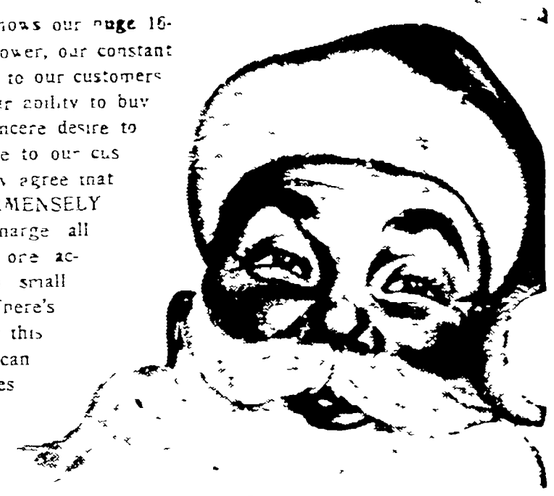

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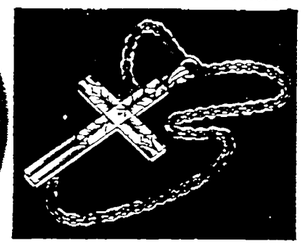

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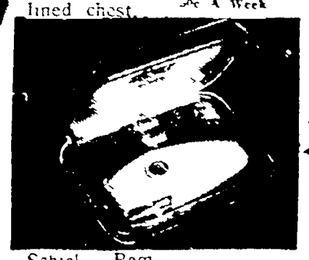

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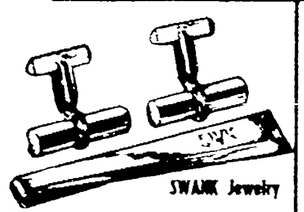

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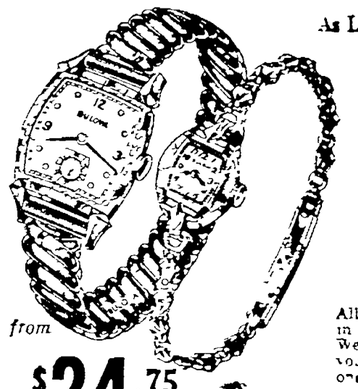

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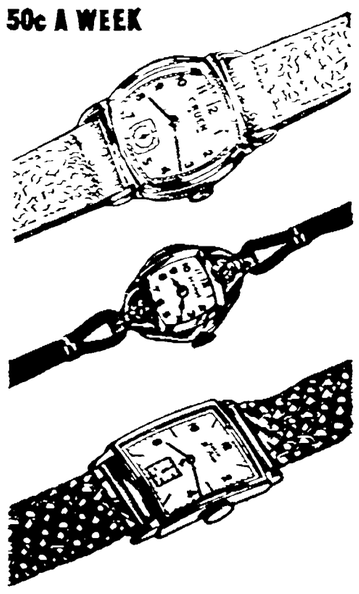

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Red Hill Trucker Ordered Held in Fatal Traffic Crash

By Staff Correspondent

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 21 — Alton H. Buch, 29, Red Hill truck driver, was ordered held for the grand jury today by a coroner's jury after an inquest into the death of Mrs. Marie A. Souder, 53, Oreland, in Cheltenham township the past Dec. 13.

At another inquest today before Coroner Winslow J. Rushong, Henry E. Herbine, 21, Pottstown RD 3, was cleared in the death of Melanchton W. Apgar, 76, of 627 Walnut street, Pottstown, who was struck by Herbine's car in the early morning of Dec. 12 on West High street, Pottstown, and was pronounced dead upon arrival at Pottstown hospital.

Buch was the driver of a truck that struck the car in which Mrs. Souder was a passenger. The woman was pronounced dead at Abington hospital.

Her husband, William, escaped with minor injuries.

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SGT. CHARLES Lennox, of the Cheltenham township police, testified today that Buch had told him his truck had jumped a low coping separating the lanes where new and old York roads join at Church road, in Cheltenham township.

The rear of Buch's truck swung around and struck the Souder car when Buch swerved his truck to avoid hitting a car that was making a left turn in front of him, it was brought out.

Mrs. Souder was seated in the rear of the car, which was smashed by the impact of the truck.

Buch, who is free under bond on a charge of involuntary manslaughter, said his foot was jarred from the air brake pedal when his truck, loaded with 10 tons of steel plate, jumped the coping.

Pottstown Patrolman Stanley Borowy testified today that Herbine had told him, after Apgar had been hit early Sunday morning, Dec. 12, that the elderly man had stepped in front of his car and was hit before he could stop the vehicle.

Car-Hop Waitress Pleads Insanity in Death of Mate

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21 (AP)—Mrs. Elizabeth Ferreri, 26-year-old car hop waitress, pleaded innocent and innocent by reason of insanity today in the meat axe and gun slaying of her husband, playboy Jerome Ferreri, 32, last Oct. 26.

Allan Adron, 51-year-old handyman at the Ferreri mansion, also entered the double plea in Superior court. Charles Fauci, 35, who was staying at the Ferreri home at the time of the death, pleaded innocent.

Judge Thomas L. Ambrose set trial for Feb. 1. Mrs. Ferreri is charged with hacking up her husband after Adron allegedly fired the shots. Fauci also was charged with murder after he told the district attorney's office that he loaded the gun before its use.

BEER SENT TO U. S.

MUNICH, Germany, Dec. 21 (AP)—The beer which once made Bavaria famous is being sold again in the United States. More than 480,000 bottles of Bavarian brew are being exported monthly, according to Paul S. Nevin, director of Bavaria's foreign trade division.

No Icicles in Sight at This Show

This attractive young lady is modeling a Spring frock at a fashion show held out-of-doors in Phoenix, Ariz. While snow and cold weather had a large part of the United States in its grip, Phoenix thought it a good time to show off its climate as well as fashions.

Cowboy Actor's Funeral To Have Western Touch

SHERMAN OAKS, Calif., Dec. 21 (AP)—Dale Fink, 25, is going to have the funeral he might have asked for, had he anticipated death.

Dale, who as Steve Drake played cowboy parts in western movies, died Sunday in an auto accident. At his funeral Thursday, the pallbearers will wear the garb Dale liked best—the boots, chaps and Stetsons of the old west.

MILLIONS FOR PLANT

VIENNA, Dec. 21 (AP) — Vienna's largest slaughter house, bombed out and destroyed by fire during the war, is to be rebuilt at a cost of more than $5,000,000.

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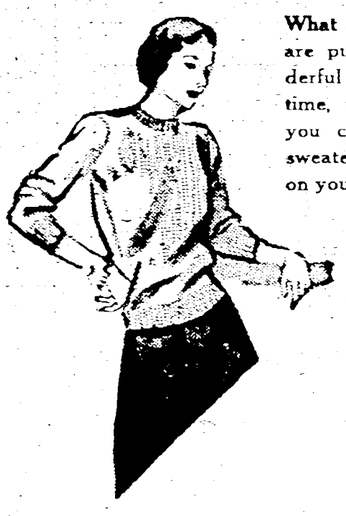

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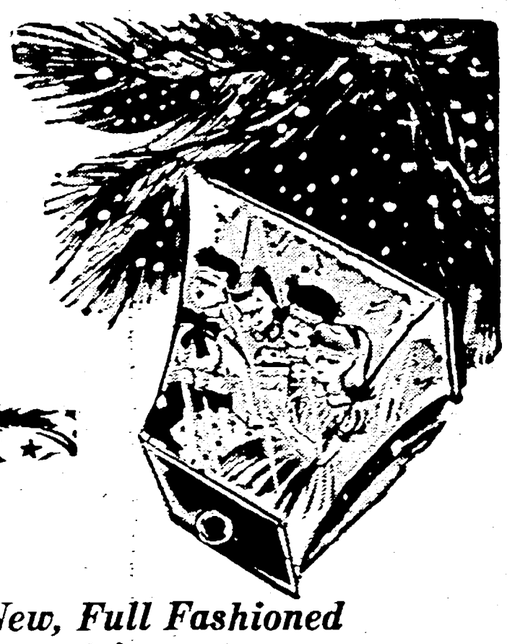

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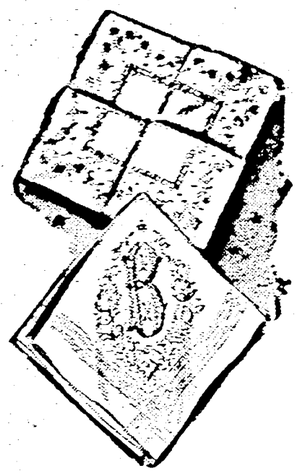

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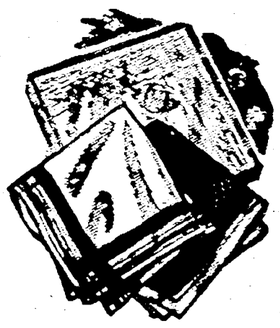

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Courage in danger is half the battle.
—Plautus.

A-Bomb Would Wipe Out Reds

"IN WISDOM, as well as in humanity, the United States should warn the Russian rulers:

"That we now have enough improved atomic weapons to immobilize Russia;

"That we can deliver those weapons in sufficient quantity to kill or maim, in the first raids, a staggering proportion of the people of Russia's key cities;

"That the targets have been selected, our planes readied, our crews alerted;

"And that this terrible retaliation will come if Russia attacks us or another free nation."

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So declares William Bradford Huie, student of air power and confidant of U. S. Air Force generals, in an exclusive article in The Reader's Digest for January, out today.

"These facts are published," Huie states, "in the hope of averting aggression based on misunderstanding. The aggressors in World Wars I and II were misinformed as to American capabilities and intentions. The Russian rulers must be convinced that, if they grab for Western Europe, the American retaliation will be immediate, atomic and decisive."

Huie sees danger of war in the "curtained minds" of a handful of Soviet officials, who may rely too strongly on their enormous ground armies while measuring the extent of American retaliation by the small number of Allied troops in Europe.

Danger lies, too, in widespread propaganda that the atom bomb is "overrated," that its advocates are "visionaries," and that wars will still be decided by old-fashioned armies and navies.

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While some of this propaganda stems from Communist sources and some from uninformed U. S. citizens, most of it comes, Huie charges, from "battleship admirals and the Maginot minds in the Army."

Denying the validity of arguments belittling American atomic power, the author declares that our bombers could deliver atomic loads upon any city in Russia within a few hours of the issuance of orders.

The amount of explosive force we could pour upon Russian cities in one raid would be comparable, he states, to that released by all the powder and TNT exploded by the combined armies, navies and air forces in the last war.

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Since Hiroshima, the world's greatest nuclear scientists have been working night and day, with the world's finest equipment, to improve America's atomic weapons.

"Does anyone imagine that all these mountains have labored to produce mice?" Huie asks. "Anyone familiar with American zeal and ingenuity cannot doubt that the 1949-model bomb is several times as destructive as the 1945 model."

The 50,000 Americans and 360 first-line bombers of the Strategic Air Command compose the most destructive fighting force in history, Huie states.

It is the first organization ever possessed by any nation which, within hours after the outbreak of war, can assault the heart of any enemy on earth.

The men of this force talk as easily of Moscow and Magnitogorsk and Sverdlovsk as they do of Pittsburgh and Detroit and Seattle: they know exactly the route to their own assigned target if they are suddenly ordered to attack.

And despite Russia's possession of radar, our bomber planes and crews are so efficient that our losses in men should be light. Air Force generals believe that 95 percent of our bomber personnel over Russia would return safely from atomic raids.

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The people of the United States and of Europe should take heart in American atomic power, Huie states, provided America does not dissipate her resources on massive armies and navies which Russia need not fear.

"We must enter and win the [illegible] war between the armed services in Washington," he urges.

"For the threat to our air-atomic superiority comes not from Russia but from our entrenched surfacebodies, the Army and the Navy ... spokesmen dispute the air-atomic ...

"The American people must choose the one arm most certain to keep the peace—or win a war.

"We play into Russian hands if we pursue the false and economically disastrous policy of ... more warships for the Navy and more ... for the Army."

Grampaw Oakley

PUNKIN CORNERS,
December 21.

Editor, The Mercury,
Dear Sir 'n' Brother:

Wal, I see by the papers where a Cleveland woman won a divorce on grounds her husband was a teetotaler. Moonshine bringeth together and moonshine teareth asunder.

A Russian newspaper says intelligent persons henceforth are to get as much to eat as laborers. The need seems to be father of the thought.

And say: Charles Philip Arthur George Edinburgh may have a silver spoon, but the chances are his baby food will be unappetizing looking, too.

Hopin' you air the same,
GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

READERS SAY:

The name and complete address of the author must accompany every contribution but on request will not be published. Letters not exceeding 250 words will receive preference.

Door-to-Door Salesman Speaks for His 'Fraternity'

Part of Our Economy

To the Editor: It seems such a pity there are so many people who allow their minds to "fall into a rut" because they don't take time out to think.

Such is the case of Mrs. R. G. ("Give Peddlers the Brush-off," Readers Say, Dec 20) who would give the door-to-door salesmen the "brush-off."

Here are a few thoughts for you to take to heart, Mrs R. G.

I know it wasn't pleasant to keep your husband waiting. I know it sometimes is very annoying to have to answer the bell, but I wonder if you know and realize what you are asking. I could tell you that many of those pesty salesmen may be knocking on your door because their health won't permit them to work at other jobs. These and many other "humanitarian" reasons could be given.

But there is a reason which goes far beyond these suggestions, namely: Do you realize that if these pesty salesmen were taken from their jobs throughout America we would have within one year a depression so severe that more than likely your husband would be knocking on a door asking for a "hand-out." They are the "pests" that keeps industry running. Doctor Crane calls them the "spark-plug" of America.

Any expert in economy will verify this statement. They are desperately needed and if they are "legitimate" salesmen they should have your respect, to say the least.

The untold billions of dollars in sales they produce each year is one of the strongest reasons we have Democracy in America today.

Pottstown — JUST ANOTHER SALESMAN

Operator Is Busy Gal

To the Editor: May I add just a few words to An Operator's letter in answer to "Pained by 'Hello' Girls," Readers Say, Dec. 13.

Supposing, Anna, Pottstown did have an efficient dial system like Boyertown. I would be willing to bet my last cent that if you reached a wrong number, you would still blame it on "these dumb operators." How wrong you would be!

It would be your own fault, in that you had made a mistake while dialing and were too much in a hurry to realize it.

You are probably one of the hundreds of persons who uses the 'phone from morning to night to talk about nothing, while someone else is waiting to use the 'phone for business matters and not gossip.

Each signal appearing on our board means someone is waiting for an operator. Since there are thousands of these signals, we cannot answer each one as quickly as we should.

I certainly would like to see you as an operator—signals burning all around you, and people holding up your work further by making smart remarks instead of giving the number immediately.

An operator certainly doesn't have the most pleasant job. She has to take a lot of cutting remarks and still be the "voice with the smile." To top all this, while you are filling yourself with holiday dinners, "these dumb operators" have to be on duty so that people like you can use their 'phones.

Pottstown — JUST ANOTHER OPERATOR

'Socialization' or Good Sense?

To the Editor: I would like to point out to Reader ("Speaks for Bus, 'Phone Raises," Readers Say, Dec. 18) that no one is denying the public utilities the right to earn a reasonable profit.

The question is: What is a reasonable profit? This is for the PUC to determine.

You seem to frown upon "nationalization and socialization of our public utilities," yet there were no boogey men going around when the borough acquired the water department.

Public ownership of utilities isn't something new in this country. It has worked out successfully in many large cities. The government has shown its usefulness in the TVA.

"Socialization" is a big word to be tossed around carelessly. What is it does apply to public ownership of utilities? Isn't the best criterion of its value in whether or not the public is best being served?

Pottstown — FREE THINKER

Behind Closed Doors

To the Editor: We read of the inefficiency of the Pottstown police force and the bungling in borough council, but let's forget them for awhile and visit our neighboring borough of Boyertown.

Sometime ago our school board — elected by the people—held a meeting behind closed doors. Why? Can't they tell the people who elected them, just what went on behind that iron curtain? If it is anything on the "level", we expect to read it in The Mercury.

Boyertown — NOSEY ROSEY

Has the Qualifications

To the Editor: It's too bad Reader ("Speaks for Bus, Phone Raises," Readers Say, Dec 18) doesn't live in Pottstown instead of Boyertown. He would make an ideal councilman.

He would find pleasant company with the Messrs Griffith, Bush, Creswell and Davidheiser as enemies of the working man.

Pottstown — UNION MAN

WASHINGTON

U. S. to Scrutinize Moves Of Industry in Germany

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 — President Truman has made his first overt move to check up on the Army administrators' rule in Germany, and to investigate charges that certain civilian higher-ups in the military department are feathering their own nests by extending favors to prewar industrial associates in the former enemy country.

Several members of the Federal Trade commission, which polices the enforcement of anti-monopoly and anti-cartel laws, have quietly gone abroad within the last week. They departed so suddenly and so stealthily that some of the key members of the agency have not yet learned of their mission.

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ALLEGATIONS: These experts will examine seized documents to support or discredit allegations that American and British firms, through arrangements with German steel, aluminum and chemical corporations, helped to rearm Hitler in the years before the invasion of Poland. Some of this country's most prominent industries have been mentioned in this connection.

The FTC men will also check on reports that the military authorities here and overseas have shown favoritism toward certain corporations in their dismantling program. According to still unverified charges, plants which were essential units in German-American cartels are being spared, while factories not tied up in these alleged international monopolies are being destroyed or shipped to this country.

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RIOT: Mild, non-politically minded Sen. Ralph E. Flanders, of Vermont, provoked a minor riot on Capitol Hill recently when he ventured to suggest that it was "Hitler's war rather than New Deal reforms" which really brought an end to the 1929-1939 depression.

The quiet Yankee was amazed that his haphazard statement almost gave apoplexy to such zealous Democrats as Senator O'Mahoney of Wyoming and Representative Wright Patman of Texas.

A CIO economic expert set the stage for the blowup. In testifying before the Joint Economic committee studying corporation profits, he voiced the need for another pay boost, as well as employers' ability to finance raises, by comparing 1940 wages with the 1948 scale. Using that basis, he maintained that profits had increased far more than wages.

"But why," interjected Mr. Flanders, "do you not use the 1939-1948 wage figures as a basis for your comparison?"

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PROSPERITY: The CIO spokesman pointed out that such a contrast would be unfair to the labor viewpoint because both wages and profits did not begin to soar until after Hitler's conquest of the Low Countries and his blitzkrieg over England. Besides foreign purchases of weapons here, he said, it was in 1940 that Franklin D. Roosevelt made the United States an "arsenal of democracy."

"You concede what I have always contended," said the Vermont Senator. "It was war purchases and rearmament, not New Deal legislation, which gave us our so-called prosperity."

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ASSERTION: "What do you mean?" snapped Senator O'Mahoney. "I notice that you liked the New Deal so much that both your recent presidential candidates—Willkie and Dewey—supported it. You even endorsed it in your 1940 and 1944 platforms. And you have never tried to repeal New Deal laws."

"Yes, they did," chimed in Mr. Patman. "They repealed the Wagner Act by passing the Taft-Hartley Act. But last month the voters repealed the GOP!"

However, nobody challenged Senator Flanders' original assertion.

FLOWERS
FOR THE **LIVING**

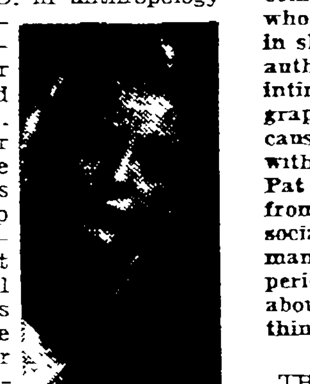
For
MR. and MRS.
LEWIS C. HIMES,
DOUGLASSVILLE,
BECAUSE they will celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary today.

The Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILGALLEN

The Broadway Grapevine

THE PANIC IS on in daytime radio as a result of television's invasion. One network has cut its price almost in half for midday airtime . . . Dancer Pearl Primus gets her Ph. D. in anthropology soon, then goes to Africa for the Julius Rosenwald Foundation for a year to dig out old folklore and music . . . After taking another look at the boxoffice slump, Howard Hughes has decided to hold up release of his pet picture for four to eight months . . . The Paul Brinkmans (she's Jeanne Crain of the movies) hope their baby arrives on Christmas Day. The Stork has promised it for sometime during the Yule holidays . . . Looks like a romance between John Loder, Hedy Lamarr's former groom, and Maxine Sheppard. Both are currently appearing in "O Mistress Mine" on tour . . . Danny Kaye is so delighted with Jerry Wald's production of their new film "Happy Times", he's suggested that Jerry be assigned to write a piece on him for a national magazine.



Jeanne Crain

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SAM WANAMAKER, Madeline Carroll's Broadway leading man, makes the Times Square rounds toting the same camera he uses in the play, wherein he appears as a photographer . . . Eugene O'Neill will be sent a print of the new Warner film, "John Loves Mary". Patricia Neal is a comedy click in it, and it was O'Neill who gave her her first encouragement in show business . . . Betty McDonald, author of "The Egg And I", has told intimates she's through with autographing books except for charitable causes. Had an unpleasant incident with an autograph hound recently . . . Pat Clark, the starlet, has returned from Spain to take up again with socialite Billy Bapst . . . Ingrid Bergman is going through a worrisome period — can't make up her mind about her next screen vehicle but thinks perhaps it should be light.

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THE BACKERS of "Magdalena" took a $400,000 beating . . . Wally Wanger was so desperate to find chorines to fill out his Colonial Inn line (now rehearsing) that he imported Indian maid Pocahontas Crowfoot from Los Angeles and paid her plane fare out of his own pocket to get here there in time for the practice session . . . Lois Andrews avers she would like to try a disc jockey job . . . Previewers are betting the new film, "The Accused," will make a star out of Wendell Corey, a competent actor from the New York stage . . . Doris Day and her husband, George Weidler, plan to announce their reconciliation officially when he returns to California from his tour with Stan Kenton in March.

The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

MIRIAM L., 29, has been married for five years.

"Dr. Crane, I need your help very much," she began our discussion, "for I seem to have no sense of value.

"If guests admire anything in my home, I am likely to present the object to them as a gift. I have given away many of my wedding presents, just because somebody praised them.

"My husband gets angry about it, and says I am a child. He tells me I have no sense of value. What makes me act like this?"

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MIRIAM'S CHILDHOOD clearly explains her present problem. She was brought up in a very strict home where she led a shy, unsocial existence.

Her parents did not believe in parties and dances. She had to hasten home from school each afternoon to help her mother with the housework.

Meanwhile, Miriam longed for the normal good times enjoyed by other girls of her age.

She was hungry to be included in their secrets, but even her clothing marked her somewhat as an alien, for her parents were immigrants from Europe and insisted on dressing her according to their tastes instead of in keeping with modern American standards.

After high school graduation, Miriam wished to get a job, but her father didn't believe in having women employed outside of the home.

The idea of "value" is a result of past habits or experience. A child who has never worked for his money, cannot be expected to appreciate a dime as can the youngster who has labored throughout childhood.

To a child who has been properly educated regarding money, a coin is a symbol of minted human energy. He may regard 50 cents as a whole day's work.

But youngsters who receive money for no work, as by the allowance plan, have not acquired this sense of value.

"Gift" money may actually handicap the child's development of self-reliance, for such gifts serve as crutches, encouraging him to lean on his benefactors or parents, instead of upon himself.

Miriam didn't have a normal adult conception of value because she had never earned money. Her husband was correct, therefore, in saying she was childish.

But in addition to that liability, she was also so hungry for friends and admiration, that she again demonstrated a child's reaction by trying to buy friendship.

A youngster who feels socially aloof from his crowd, may try to bribe admittance into the inner circle by offering his toys or candy and chewing gum to the other children. Miriam is doing the very same thing.

She must join the Compliment Club and thus win friends with words, instead of using her wedding gifts as bribes.

In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

December 22, 1898

MUST STUDY—The school board insists pupils must study their lessons more. It passed a rule that a pupil not attaining the average of 70 for three months will be demoted. Miss Josephine Miller resigned as teacher of a Third grade school in the Washington building. She will be succeeded by James E. Christman, who has been a Lower Pottsgrove teacher.

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LIVE BIRD SHOOT — William L. Stone and Jacob D. Eagle engaged in a live bird shoot at 10 birds. Eagle won the match.

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KINGS DAUGHTERS—The Pottstown Circle of Kings Daughters distributed food, clothing and fuel to 25 needy families. Ida Kupp, Mrs Horace Storb and Elizabeth Bassett were in charge of the distribution.

25 Years Ago

December 22, 1923

RED CROSS ROLL CALL—A total of $1370.93 is reported in the Red Cross roll call by the chairman, Rev. J. M. Waiters. The Second ward led with a report of $220.60.

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NEW THEATER—A new theater is to be erected at the corner of High and Charlotte streets by Bennethum and Snyder. The manager will be Luke Gring. The contract has been awarded to Raymond Hartenstine. The lot is 68 by 160 feet.

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REDUCING MENU—The YWCA women's weight reducing class closed its course with a dinner. The menu consisted of tomato and lettuce salad, bran muffins, oyster cocktails, tea and coffee.

10 Years Ago

December 22, 1938

TEACHERS PARTY — Members of the Pottstown High school faculty held a Christmas party at the school. The program was in charge of Mildred Christman and Eleanor Lunch, assisted by Caroline Fizz, Lena Guardini, Valeria Wetty and Dollene Weekley.

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RINGING ROCKS TOWER — Ringing Rocks tower will be reopened in the Spring as an observatory. The tower which was erected in 1893, cost $2500, and is 120 feet in height.

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YULETIDE TURKEYS—Turkeys for the holiday are being sold in market at 38 cents to 42 cents a pound. Butter is 33 cents to 38 cents a pound. Beef roast is 30 cents a pound while veal steak is 45 cents.

WAITING FOR SANTA CLAUS

Hollywood

By EDITH GWYNN

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 21—At least five hundred albums of the Bible recordings made by Charles Laughton will be in the hands of disc jockeys throughout the land within a few days — for free. The records are the result of a project begun during the war when Charlie read to the wounded vets at Birmingham hospital. At first the soldiers protested, thinking Laughton's "entertainment" might be dull, but enthusiasm soon was so great for these sessions that they went on and on, and Laughton has also given readings at many church during the past 2 years. We think it's a fine idea—this recording of such things as "David and Goliath," "The Fiery Furnace," "Noah's Ark," "The Garden of Eden" etc. — and platter-spinners and listeners alike will find them entertaining as well as educational . . . Also should prove that Hollywood can produce a LOT of things besides scandals.

Charles Laughton

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SILVER LINING STUFF: **Things are jumping on the Fox lot. D. F. Zanuck tells us there are more pictures shooting there now than at any time he can remember. Seven going and two starting there next week, plus two of theirs being filmed in Europe . . . Filmtown is still chuckling over some of the funny cracks made by the speechmakers at that big "Man of the Year" dinner for Darryl the other night. One bit of unconscious humor was provided by ex-Gov. Ellis Arnall of Georgia (now prexy of the Independent Motion Picture Producers) when he introduced the producer as Zarryl Danuck! Geo. Jessel (once wed to Norma Talmadge) said, "Arnall and I have much in common. We've both had trouble with Talmadge." Jimmy Durante said, "That really wasn't an earthquake in Palm Springs last week. Zanuck just dropped his wallet."**

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DANNY THOMAS was so droll on the subject of life in Beverly Hills. He quipped, "In Beverly Hills, the stores never tell you the price of anything until they get your address. They say, 'you can't take it with you'—but one rich guy told me that if he couldn't take it with him he wouldn't go!" Then he switched an old line of Henry Morgans about the price of hotel rooms in Miami—which was, "I got a wonderful room in a hotel down there for a $150.00 a day—over-looking the ocean. The Pacific Ocean!"

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IRENE DUNNE won't be taking the role of the nun in "Storm Over Vienna"—and Metro is still having headaches trying to cast the top femme role in this one which is ready to shoot. Melville Cooper, who is only great in anything, has a big part in this waiting only for the cameras to start grinding . . . Lucille Ball now has a big sponsor for her radio program "My Favorite Husband" which they latch onto via the Columbia network starting Jan 7.

How's Your Mind?

THE ANSWER, QUICK!

1. What is meant by the saying "penny-wise, pound foolish"?
2. Of what country was King Zog I once ruler?
3. What is a "bathometer"?
4. With what presidential candidate was the slogan, "Sixteen to one" associated?
5. By whom were The Canterbury Tales written?

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Ex-ballerina

Ex-prosecutor

JOBS UPON A TIME

Amsterdam, N. Y., is the birthplace of film actress Lucille Bremer, but she took dancing lessons in Philadelphia when she was seven, and at 12 was appearing as a ballerina at the Philadelphia Opera House. When Lucille was 16 she joined the famous Rockettes in New York, and then the chorus of Panama Hattie. Lucille got the ingenue lead in Lady in the Dark, which led to a Hollywood contract. She has only been on the screen since 1944, in Meet Me in St Louis and her latest is Yolanda and the Thief.

Kim Sigler, Republican governor of Michigan until January, 1949, when newly elected Democrat G. Mennen Williams will take over, was born in Schuyler, Neb., but studied at the University of Michigan and received his law degree at the Detroit Law school. Sigler was associated with law firms in Detroit, practiced his profession in Hastings, Mich, and later formed a partnership in Battle Creek, Mich. He was appointed special prosecutor of a grand jury to investigate legislative graft in the state during 1943 and 1946 and was elected governor of Michigan in 1947.

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MODERN MANNERS

Thanks for presents, letters of condolence and most "bread-and-butter" letters should be written in long-hand—not typewritten.

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IT HAPPENED TODAY

On the same date in 1935, Anthony Eden became England's foreign secretary, and urged sanctions against Italy's war activities. Heihachiro, Count Togo, Japanese samurai and admiral, creator of modern Japanese navy, was born on Dec. 22, 1847 (died in 1934).

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Deems Taylor, music composer, author and radio commentator; Andre Kostelanetz, orchestra conductor, Elizabeth Rethberg, Metropolitan Opera company soprano, and B. Carroll Reece, ex-congressman, banker and lawyer, are due for birthday cakes today.

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HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1. Thrifty in small matters; extravagant in large.
2. Albania.
3. An instrument for measuring depths in water.
4. William Jennings Bryan.
5. Geoffrey Chaucer.

Pottstown Sketches

By PHILLIPS

"Maybe he just got tired of wearing red suits."

ALL AROUND THE TOWN

To Balance Scrooges... They Display Spirit...

CHRISTMAS STORY—As an antidote for The Mercury news-stories about the "Thoughtful Shop Lifter" who stole Nancy Schaeffer's wallet and then wrote her a derisive letter, here's a story about some truly thoughtful money-finders.

It's about $6 that lay by a pavement on a heavily-traveled Pottstown street for two hours early at night. It would seem as if the money refused to lock up until the right person came along.

Eleven-year-old Jacqueline Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Marshall, 409 Walnut street, was the right person. She found it in a gutter near her home at 9 o'clock the other night as she was returning from a Christmas party in Trinity Evangelical Congregational church.

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PERHAPS MONEY was on Jacqueline's mind, for an auto accident on Rahn's Hill the past week had put a serious drain on the family's finances. If there was no question about Santa's coming, there was a question about how long he would stay.

The accident also had sent Jacqueline's mother to bed, to recuperate from fractured ribs and a dislocated shoulder suffered in the head-on crash.

Jacqueline raced into her house, and up to her mother's room: "Mother! mother!" Mrs. Marshall quoted her child as shouting, "Look what I've found—money, and for Christmas. Now I can buy you a Christmas present." . . .

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ALTHOUGH touched by the fact that her daughter's first thought was of a present for her, Mrs. Marshall gently told Jacqueline that she should try to find the owner. "We don't want to take somebody else's Christmas away from them, do we?" she asked her daughter.

Jacqueline agreed, and followed her mothers' advice to telephone a few neighbors, to see if any of them knew anything about the missing money—a $5 bill and a $1 bill, frozen so hard that Jacqueline had to pull them apart.

The first person the 11-year-old telephoned was a next-door neighbor, Mrs. Rose Quinter, of 407 Walnut street. Mrs. Quinter said, "No, I don't know anything about . . ." And then she ran from the 'phone to make a check of a dress in which she had been carrying some Christman money. It was gone . . .

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MRS. QUINTER named the denominations of the bills, and both she and Jacqueline knew it was hers. The Marshalls were more than glad to return it to Mrs. Quinter, for she had been helping with the housework during Mrs. Marshall's convalescence.

In fact, Mrs. Quinter had lost the money two hours before Jacqueline found it, as Mrs. Quinter was walking home just after tucking Mrs. Marshall in bed. Only the Marshall's knew of Mrs. Quinter's Christmastime good turn for them. And the Christmas money seemed determined that only the Marshall's should find it.

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MORE SPIRIT—Here's another story which arrived in this office because someone thought a pleasant contrast was needed to the story of the wallet thief who wrote the insulting letter to Nancy Schaeffer.

Mrs. Forrest Mock, of Juniper street, absent-mindedly left her purse on a borough line bus the other afternoon. In it was $20—half of it was Christmas money she had saved; the other half was an anniversary present from her husband.

A few hours after she lost it, Mrs. Mock was contacted by Bill Youse, the bus driver. He told her that a woman had given it to him, unopened. Mrs. Mock offered Youse a reward, but he declined.

She hopes that, through Youse, she will be able to contact the thoughtful, anonymous woman and thank her.

YOUR HEALTH

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M. D.

THE formation of an inflamed blood clot in a vein is known as thrombophlebitis. Such a condition may develop at almost any age, but is most common in those past sixty.

The symptoms differ, depending on whether or not the affected person is up and about or confined to bed. This condition occurs most often in veins of the leg. When it occurs in an active person, there may be some degree of lameness. There is pain in the calf of the leg when walking, and some swelling of the ankle. If the condition is mild, it may clear up with a few days' rest in bed, but the symptoms may recur when the legs are used.

When a blood clot forms following an operation and while the patient is still in bed, there may be less severe symptoms. However, there may be pain in the calf of the leg, running from mild soreness to real aching, and also some swelling of the ankle and lower leg.

By injecting certain substances into a vein, an X-ray plate may be taken which will show the veins clearly. This is known as venography, and often may be used in making an early diagnosis of thrombophlebitis.

One of the dangers of thrombophlebitis is that a bit of a clot may break off and be carried to the brain or lungs, where it will cause serious damage.

Treatment for the condition depends upon whether or not the blood clot is attached to the wall of the vein. If it is not attached, there is more danger of a bit of the clot breaking off and being carried to other parts of the body. In such instances, it may be necessary to tie off the vein above the clot.

In the milder, less dangerous cases, the bed treatment may consist of rest in bed, X-ray, and the giving of certain substances which slow down the clotting of the blood. These substances are heparin and dicoumarol. In any event, the treatment, will depend upon the location of the condition, its extent, and how long the clot has been present.

Whenever aching in the calf of the leg occurs, particularly in older persons, a careful study by the physician should be made at once to determine whether or not thrombophlebitis has developed; then proper treatment may be promptly carried out.

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Heads State Hospital System

Welfare Secretary C. R. Barber shown looking approvingly on building plans for a new State mental hospital building. Since the former mayor of Erie was appointed by Gov. James H. Duff in Jan. 1947, an $82,000,000 expansion program has been started in the State.

Penna. Mental Hospitals Becoming Pride of State

HARRISBURG, Dec. 21 (AP)—Pennsylvania's mental hospitals now are getting bouquets instead of brickbats.

Once termed "Pennsylvania's shame" due to overcrowding, understaffing and obsolete facilities, the mental hospital system is no longer the target of the bitter censure it was two years ago.

Pennsylvanians are starting to point with pride at the new, modern buildings that are going up under an $82,000,000 expansion. And there is more trained personnel for the care of 43,500 unfortunates in 22 hospitals as a result of a continuous and intensive recruiting and training drive.

The program was set in motion by Gov. James H. Duff when he took office in Jan., 1947. The red-headed executive raised the millions needed by new taxes and the side-tracking of other projects. He brought in Charles R. Barber, then Erie's colorful mayor, to administer the system as State welfare secretary and appointed William H. Behrens, retired rear admiral, to push construction.

Now, a year later, more than $55,000,000 worth of work is either completed, under contract or on the planning boards.

Two new buildings, costing nearly $5,000,000, are going up at the Philadelphia State hospital at Byberry—the place some called a 20th century "Dante's Inferno." Two others have been completely renovated and work on still two more is under way.

Modern buildings are under construction at five other hospitals and work will start soon on many more.

"We want to restore patients to their homes and occupations and we are not resigning ourselves to the belief that custodial care is the answer," said Gov. Duff.

He likes to tell the story of an acquaintance whose wife "suddenly went completely out of her head." The husband was told by several physicians that nothing could be done; that she should be confined to a mental institution. But another doctor traced the condition to organic poisoning and she returned to her home in good health.

Pennsylvania wants to provide "that kind of care," Duff said, envisioning the day when the State will have "one of the best setups for mental health anywhere in the world."

That is the long-range program. More pressing is the job of ending the crowding of 43,500 patients in accommodations designed for thousands less.

Barber said the State is meeting this need with expansion of existing institutions and emphasis on rehabilitation. But before new buildings can be built at most of the hospitals, millions must be spent on general facilities.

"Our mental hospitals are like separate communities," Barber explained. "Before you can provide more hospital beds, you have to enlarge the facilities for light, heat, water, laundry, the preparation and serving of food and sewage disposal."

Barber, who will relinquish his post next May to become state treasurer, came to the welfare job with only a layman's knowledge of mental health. He took over at a time when welfare groups were urging appointment of a psychiatrist to the post.

"I leave the type of care to the hospital superintendents," Barber said, "but when I visit a hospital I want every locked door opened. I want to know what is behind them. And I never tell them when I am coming."

Barber said that from the start he drove for a clean-up of the worst conditions without waiting for new buildings.

"I saw a lot of things that could be done," he said. "It takes time to build new hospitals and find and train more doctors, nurses and attendants, but that shouldn't stop us from patching broken plaster, fixing the plumbing and making the best use possible of the facilities we have."

But he counts his biggest accomplishment the planning of the new-type admission buildings.

"The name is sort of misleading," Barber explained. "What these buildings will really provide is the latest in care. When a patient is admitted, instead of sending him to one of the older buildings, he will be kept here for treatment. If he responds, he may never see any other part of the hospital. All the latest equipment will be here under one roof."

German Farmers Turn in More Food

FRANKFURT, Dec. 21 (AP)—German farmers are turning in more food, according to Stanley Andrews, American head of the Anglo-American Food and Agriculture department. Farmers who formerly were accused of hoarding their crops have "responded remarkably to the 'bring in more food' campaign," he says.

He says he expects "no trouble in collecting a maximum of the year's indigenous food products." This will provide 1050 calories per person per day for the 45 million Germans in the combined zone.

Food imports from ERP and other appropriated funds including dollar revenues from German exports are estimated in the current year's food budget at $189,000,000. Andrews says the Food Control office aims to raise the daily normal consumer's ration.

Gold Star Mother Thanks Irish Friends

BESSBROOK, Ireland, Dec. 21 (AP)—An American mother visited this Irish village recently to thank the folks who befriended her son before he was killed in the war.

Mrs. Leonard M. Stotts of San Francisco, mother of Col. Malcolm Stotts of the 38th regiment, traveled 5000 miles to visit the scenes about which her son had written before D-Day.

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Second Floor

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Gift Sale! Cannon TOWEL SETS
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State Tells Court $750,000 Withheld in Soft Drink Taxes

HARRISBURG, Dec 21 (AP)—The State claimed today at least $750,000 in soft drink tax money has been withheld by bottlers in the hopes the 1947 soft drink levy will be found unconstitutional.

Harry F Stambaugh, deputy attorney general, made the claim in Dauphin county court as the hearing of three suits challenging the legality of the tax was concluded. Argument of the legal issues was tentatively set for late in January.

"There are some bottlers who have been assessed as high as $100,000 and haven't paid a cent in taxes," Stambaugh said. "These people don't even pretend to have any defense except that the law won't be enforced."

Stambaugh made his comments in seeking permission from Judge J Paul Rupp to present testimony from W H. Beachey, deputy revenue secretary, on audits the revenue department has made on unpaid soft drink taxes. Attorneys for soft drink bottlers objected strenuously

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BEACHEY SAID that audits for 83 concerns showed they had collected at least $750 000 in tax in six-month and 12-month periods which has not been paid to the State, but Judge Rupp later ruled out the evidence

"I think you are going too far," he told Stambaugh and Deputy Attorney General David Fuss, who are defending the tax for the State

The jurist allowed, however, testimony that there are un paid taxes that have been assessed by the State, adding "it is purely a matter of law whether the tax is due."

Russell Shockley, of Philadelphia, counsel for the soft drink bottlers, had insisted the fact there was unpaid tax had nothing to do with the bottlers' he represented and should not be considered by the court

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"IT IS ENTIRELY irrelevant," Shockley added

Stambaugh said he was making the claim because the bottlers would argue that since tax collections have been less than originally estimated "the tax has a tendency to reduce business"

The State originaly estimated the tax of—a cent on every 12 ounces of bottled soft drinks and a half cent on each ounce of syrup used for fountain drinks—would bring in $35 000 000 in two years This was subsequently cut to $27,000,000 Collections up to the end of November, totaled slightly more than $20,000,000

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Police Lieut Peter A. Connors said the unknown man told Carole's school chum:

"I'm the fellow who killed Carole, your girl friend, and you are going to be next"

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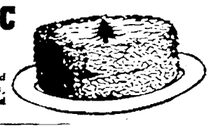

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Gold Seal Rolled Oats	2 20-oz pkgs 29c	ASCO Pure Grape Juice	pint bot 16c
Acme Whole Golden Corn	2 No. 2 cans 37c	Pineapple Juice Popular brands	46-oz can 38c
Ideal Tea Bags Orange Pekoe	pkg 16 15c : pkg 100 81c	Large Wet Pack Shrimp	8-oz can 43c
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ASCO Catsup Regular or Hot	14-oz bot	19c
Lea & Perrin's Sauce	5-oz bot	29c
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Planters' Cocktail SALTED PEANUTS	8-oz can	31c
Sweet Midget Pickles Whitman's	12-oz jar	39c
Fozz Guava Jelly	12-oz glass	25c
Rob-ford Prunes Medium Size	2 lb pkg	35c
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ASCO Oleomargarine	lb pkg	33c
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Olivar Fancy Thrown Stuffed Spanish **OLIVES** 7¼-oz jar **39c**

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MAYONNAISE Hom-de-Lite Creamy	pt jar	39c
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MINCE MEAT Ideal Old Fashioned	28-oz jar	25c
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PUMPKIN PIE SPICE Ideal Brand	pkg	10c

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HARD CANDIES Virginia Lee Fancy	5-lb tin	$1.49
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Reid's Butterscotch Patties	6-oz tin	29c
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Big Donora Industry To Probe 'Smog' Fatal to 20 Persons

DONORA, Dec 21 (AP)—The industrial giant that operates this mill town's biggest industry today announced plans to investigate the fatal smog that killed 20 elderly persons the past October.

The American Steel and Wire company said it had engaged the Kettering laboratory of applied physiology in the college of medicine at the University of Cincinnati to determine what conditions contributed to the tragedy.

State and Federal health agencies have already launched probes and the community has started its own investigation under a $10,000 gift from the CIO-United Steel Workers of America. No results have been announced by any of the investigators.

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THE U. S. STEEL corporation subsidiary which operates a steel and wire manufacturing plant and a zinc works in Donora employs about 2000 men and women. Vice President H. B. Gordon of American Steel and Wire said at Cleveland, O., that:

"We are intensely concerned with this problem and will continue to do everything possible to clear up the mystery surrounding the tragic occurrence. The Kettering group is a highly regarded authority on problems of industrial and public health. Of course, full co-operation will be extended to all other qualified agencies working on the case."

The Cincinnati agency is concerned with occupational hazards and diseases, their prevention and their nature and significance. The 18-year-old laboratory has a staff of about 50 physicians, physiologists, pathologists, chemists, engineers and other personnel.

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THE VICTIMS of the poisonous smog died during the last weekend in October at the climax of five days of heavy smoke and fog which lay over the river town in a dark and choking pall. Physicians said all victims were asthmatic or cardiac sufferers and died while struggling to breathe.

Donora Burgess August Chambon said he would welcome the Kettering investigators and added: "Everything should be done that can be done and this is another step in the right direction."

Traffic Accident Victim Leaves Estate to Wife

NORRISTOWN, Dec 21—Robert F. Kepler, 67-year-old Schwenkville highway worker who died Dec. 3 in Pottstown hospital from injuries he received when struck by a car on Swamp pike, left an estate valued at $500 to his wife, Ella, his will, filed for probate today, indicated.

Double-Decked Airliner Being Built by British

LONDON, Dec 21 (AP) — A giant, double-decker airliner is under construction at Southampton and is expected to fly some time next year. The four-engined craft is being built as a private venture by General Aircraft.

To be known as the "Universal," it will be the second largest land plane built in Britain. The biggest, the eight-engined Brabazon, is nearly complete. The Universal will seat 30 passengers on an upper deck and 60 on a lower deck.

ACQUITTED OF REBEL CHARGES

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec 21 (AP)—Former president Carlos Ibanez and three other men were acquitted by a military court today of charges of conspiring to overthrow the Chilean government last month.

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Santa Arrives Ahead of Death

Doctors say she has but a few weeks to live, but three-year-old Elizabeth Ann Strehl, of St. Louis, doesn't know this. For Elizabeth, it's Yuletide and, for the moment, there is a Santa Claus, a Christmas tree and presents. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Strehl, shown with the little cancer victim, moved up the Christmas eve celebration a bit to make sure she would have a last party.

Lawyers Play Santa To Couple in Court, Pave Way to Altar

MIAMI, Fla. Dec 21 (AP) — Two troubled young people from Dayton, Ohio, received their Christmas present today from a judge and a pair of kindly lawyers.

Audrey Louise Aaron, 20, four months pregnant, pleaded guilty before Judge Ben C. Willard in Criminal court to charges of stealing the contents of a "piggy" bank and charging $392 worth of merchandise at a downtown store.

She admitted she used the charge plate of the woman who employed her as a maid.

Judge Willard then asked "Where's the man responsible for her condition?"

Thomas B. Moorman, 22, arose from the audience and walked to the side of the weeping girl.

"Will you marry her?" the judge asked.

"Yes, sir."

"I think you're a man," Judge Willard said. "So many others would have ducked."

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WHEN IT DEVELOPED Moorman did not have the money to make restitution, Attorneys Ben Cohen and Albert D. Hubbard, who were in court awaiting the calling of another case, came to the rescue.

"Hubbard and I have clients who can make up this money," Cohen said, as he handed over the money to the probation officer.

Judge Willard grinned broadly. "I think it's a most wonderful Christmas present and I'm going to tell you all that I think we'll have a better Christmas because of it," he said.

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Corrective Measures Ordered After Newsmen Barred at Army Base Wedding

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec 21 (AP)—Sixth Army officers' under orders of Gen. Mark W. Clark, sought today to fix responsibility for armed military policemen's interference Saturday with newsmen trying to cover a wedding on the Oakland Army base.

The wedding the reporters and cameramen sought to cover was that of Capt. Joseph J. Daknall, 35, of New Britain, Conn., to the former Yoshie Uchida, 32, of Tokyo, at the base chapel.

General Clark, Sixth Army commander, said the actions of the MP's were directly contrary to Army policy of assisting the press all possible. He directed Maj. Gen. James A. Lester, whose port command includes the Oakland base, to investigate and report back so that corrective action might be taken.

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SIXTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS said tonight the investigation is continuing "so that those responsible for the incident may be determined."

When newsmen approached the chapel, they found seven military police patrolling the grounds. Shortly afterward a squad of soldiers armed with rifles and shotguns arrived hurriedly and took a stand near the newsmen.

Meantime, the reporters were ordered off the chapel grounds and told to approach no closer than the opposite side of the street, some 70 feet away. Photographers were ordered not to take any pictures of the bride or bridegroom.

One cameraman who took a picture of the couple entering the chapel, at a distance of about 100 feet, was ordered and held in a guardhouse for about an hour.

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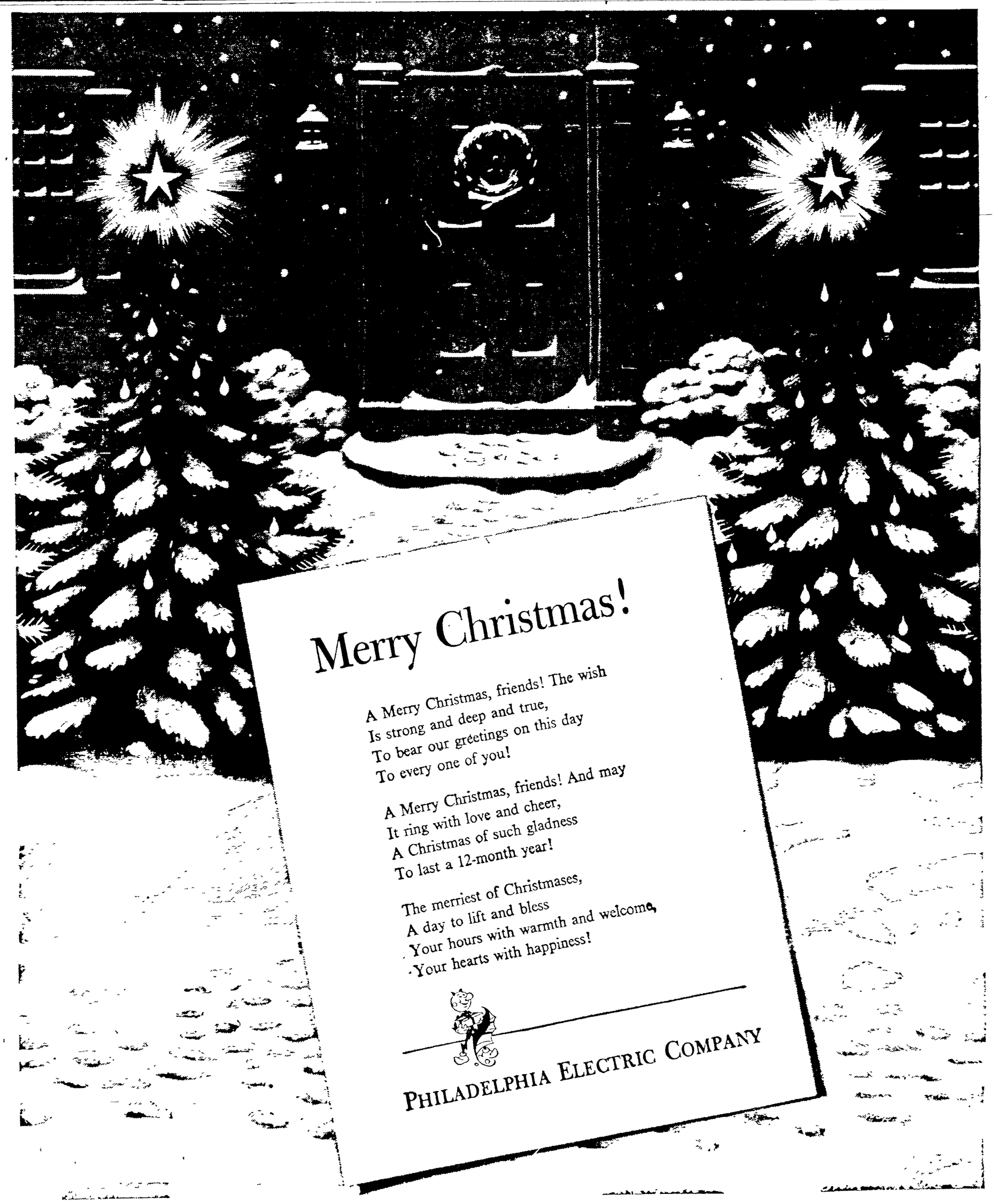

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Federal Judge Rules Rep. Thomas Must Stand Trial for 'Padding' Payroll

WASHINGTON, Dec 21 (AP) — A Federal judge ruled today that Rep J Parnell Thomas (R-NJ) must stand trial for alleged conspiracy to defraud the government by "padding" his congressional office payrolls

Thomas

Thomas is chairman of the House un-American activities committee, though he has not been active in that role since he was indicted by a grand jury on Nov 8, six days after his re-election to Congress

The 63-year-old legislator's trial has been set for Jan 10

Judge Henry Schweinhaut rejected Thomas' plea for dismissal of the indictment on the grounds that the grand jury was improperly constituted. Defense attorneys had contended that the presence of Federal employes on the jury violated the Constitution.

But Judge Schweinhaut cited a Supreme court ruling, made only yesterday, upholding the legality of a trial jury composed entirely of government employes.

THE JUDGE ALSO turned down a defense motion that the conspiracy count should be ruled out under the normal three-year statute of limitations. He said the charge of conspiracy to defraud the United States is "clearly covered" by the wartime-amended statute and "may be brought within six years"

The indictment charged that Thomas conspired "to defraud the United States of its money and property" over a five-year period from Jan. 1, 1940 to Jan. 30, 1945 It cited 34 "overt acts" in a joint complaint against Thomas and his former secretary, Miss Helen Campbell, 63. Both have pleaded innocent.

In addition to the conspiracy count, Thomas alone was accused on three other counts of filing alleged false claims against the government by setting up a list of "fictitious" employes in his office on Capitol Hill.

If convicted on all charges, Thomas would face a possible maximum sentence of 32 years in prison, $40,000 in fines, or both. He is free under $1000 bond.

Miss Campbell, now under $500 bond, is also scheduled for trial Jan. 10.

Of the 13 species of rattlesnakes which inhabit the United States, 10 can be found in the Southwest.

Rev. Floyd to Address Minute Men Meeting

The Rev Donald T Floyd, pastor of Trinity Evangelical Congregational church, will be guest speaker at the Christmas meeting of the Minute Men of the Pottstown Chamber of Commerce today.

The Rev Floyd will meet with the group in the Howard Johnson restaurant at noon. He will tell the Christmas story.

C J Keiser, chairman, will preside

Business Club to Fete Boy Scouts at Yule Party

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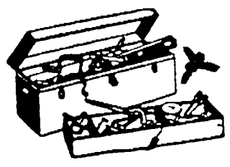

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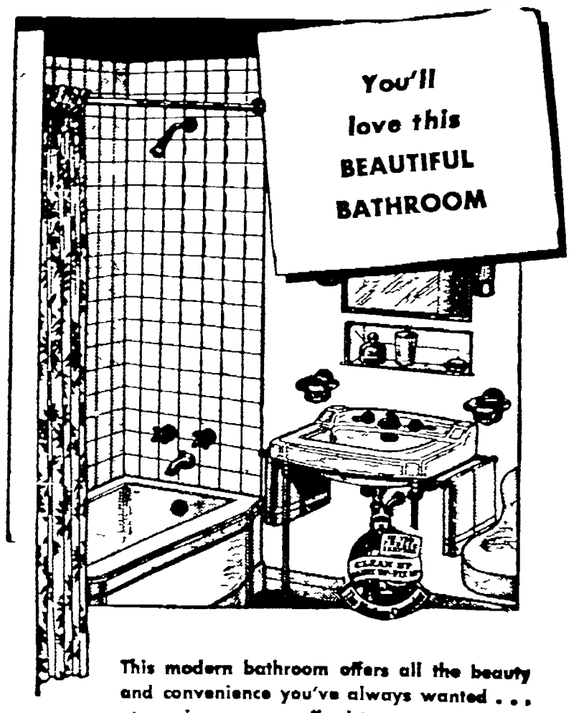

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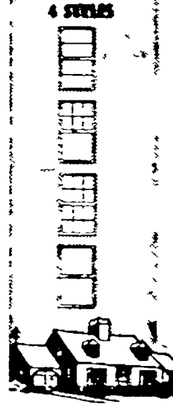

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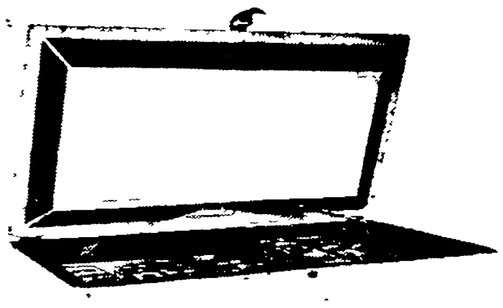

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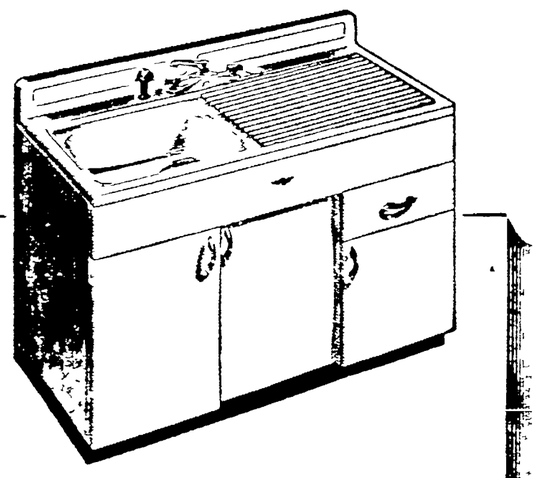

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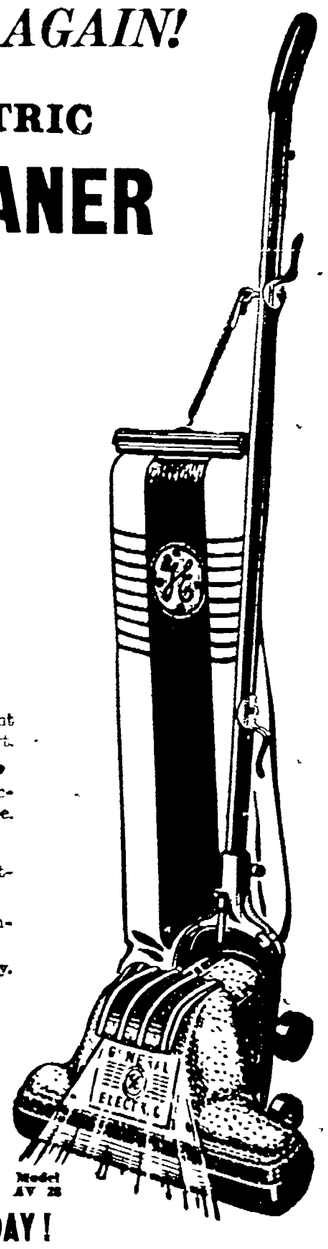

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Spring City Church Plans Gala Service On Christmas Eve

The annual Christmas eve service of Spring City First Evangelical and Reformed church has been planned for Friday night at 11 o'clock to continue into midnight. The service will be preceded by Christmas carols, which will be played from the church tower from 10:30 to 11 o'clock.

The story of the first Christmas will be told in pantomime, song and scripture during the service. Four scenes will be presented against an appropriate musical background with the senior and chancel choirs directed by Mrs. Arthur Hedrick Jr., participating.

The congregation will join in the singing, and the Rev. Barnet O. Adams, pastor, will deliver a meditation on the theme, "The Tragedy of Christmas."

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A TABLEAU will be presented by Evelyn Walker, Fryer Littlefield, Ambrose Peterman, Ralph Frederick, Charles Shellenberger, Donald McCarraher, Jay Barclay, Richard Edwards, Franklin Schubert and George Wade, with Mrs Roy Lewis as reader.

Miss Anna Diehl is in charge of the costuming for the tabuleau. Ken Kirk and Miss Mary Littlefield are in charge of property and lights.

350 Kids Expected At Lions Yule Party

An attendance of 350 juveniles is expected at the second annual Children's Christmas party sponsored by Spring City Lions club tonight at 7 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

With Walter Clevenstine as master of ceremonies, a program will be presented which will include a full-length movie. The affair will be completed by the presence of Santa Claus, who will distribute gifts and door prizes to the kiddies.

Members of the committee in charge are Ivan H. Shoemaker, chairman; the Rev. H. O. Schlessman, Ivin Young, Wilmer Rambo, Harold Amster, I. Blaine Geyer and Willis C. Latshaw.

The Italian population of New York City is 1,095,000, almost as great as the Italian population of Rome.

Royersford Newlyweds To Fly to Puerto Rico

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Watson, who were united in marriage the past Saturday afternoon, left yesterday for New York, where they will board a plane for Santurce, Puerto Rico, to visit the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Watson, formerly of Royersford.

The bride, before her marriage, was Miss Helen Marie Keiter.

Spring City Methodist Plans White Gift Service

The annual White Gift service will be held in Spring City Methodist church Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. A special program has been arranged, beginning with an organ prelude, "Familiar Christmas Carols."

The program will consist of an anthem, "Bethlehem," by the choir; the Christian scripture; marimba solo, Miss Jane Walters; soprano solo, "Away in a Manger," Miss Janet Jones; trombone solo, Wesley Diemer; woman's chorus, "Adore and Be Still", marimba solo, Miss Walters; male quartet, "Good Christian Men Rejoice"; "The Christmas Story," cathedral kodachrome film, the White Gift offering and offertory, "Noel."

Faculty Shift Announced At Charlestown School

Miss Ruth O. Gow, Schuylkill road, has been elected teacher of the Second and Third grades at Charlestown Consolidated school. Miss Gow will take over the children taught by Mrs. George Fetters. Mrs. Fetters has been assigned to teach the Fourth and Fifth grades, replacing Mrs Earl Keller, Spring City, who had resigned.

Caffrey Legion Post Contributes to Fund To Buy Polio Packs

Walter T. Caffrey American Legion post, Spring City, received commendation at its monthly meeting Monday night for having 50 percent of its 1949 quota of membership dues paid up by Nov 11. Since then the post has increased the roster to 75 percent.

The post voted $10 to the Chester county committee, to be used toward the purchase of polio packs (emergency kits), which are maintained in stock at Phoenixville hospital.

The post heard report of a recent meeting of the Chester county committee, which was held Dec 13 at Oxford. At this meeting plans were made for a banquet in the near future. A committee was named for the affair to which State and national officers will be invited to attend as guests.

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COMMANDER HAROLD LEE named an athletic committee to arrange competition in all seasonal sports. The committee will arrange baseball, football, basketball and other tournaments. Those appointed to this committee were Dick Hallman, chairman, Donald Marshall, Daniel Jay, William Rittenhouse Jr., Merrill Heigel and Randall Williams. Refreshments were served after the session.

Children to Entertain Upper Providence Group

The December meeting of Upper Providence Home and School association will be a Christmas program given by the children of Upper Providence Consolidated school tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in the school. The public has been invited.

The Sandman Calls on a Prince

Just a tired little baby is Charles Philip Arthur George, Prince of Edinburgh, following the christening ceremony in Buckingham Palace. Princess Elizabeth is giving her sleeping child to Sister Ree, the nurse, while the father, Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, looks on.

Son Born at Phoenixville To Zion Lutheran Pastor

A son was born in Phoenixville hospital yesterday to the Rev. and Mrs. H. O. Schlessman, 232 Yost avenue, Spring City. The Rev. Schlessman is pastor of Zion's Lutheran church. The baby was named John Barrett Schlessman.

Vincent Lodge to Hold Annual Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of Vincent Lodge 762, IOOF, Spring City, will follow the regular meeting of the lodge at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night. The entertainment committee has arranged a special entertainment, to be presented by a church group of 25 persons.

Following the program, Santa Claus will arrive and distribute the gifts. A gift also will be presented to the first one to identify Santa Claus.

ANNUAL PARTY PLANNED

Spring City Reformed Mizpah Bible class will hold its annual Christmas party tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock in Memorial hall.

Policemen, Criminals Very Polite in Rome

ROME, Dec 21 (AP)—They do some things nicely in Italy. Witness the urbane exchange which, according to the newspaper "Messaggero," marked the end of a long police hunt for the leader of band that forged 170,000,000 lire ($293,000) worth of Treasury certificates.

Dr. Rosario Barranco, chief of mobile police, spotted his man in Spanish Square, walked up to him, tapped him on the shoulder, and said:

"Good evening. I am chief of the mobile police. I have been looking for you for a long time."

The man, the paper reported, replied: "My compliments, Dr. Barranco. I have been very clever, but you are cleverer than I in catching me. I congratulate you."

Finds Answer

Rep. Bender (above) has finally found a way to dispose of a number of red neckties with Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's picture on them. He bought them for Republicans to wear at Dewey's presidential inauguration. Bender has decided to send them out as Christmas gifts. Some will go to Washington newspaper correspondents who predicted Dewey's election.

Woman Charged With Kidnaping Own Child

HARRISBURG, Dec. 21 (AP) — A 21-year-old woman was charged today with kidnaping her own child.

District Attorney Carl B. Shelley said he has sworn out a warrant for the arrest of the woman—Mrs. Jeanne Morgan Braget — and her husband, John M. Braget, 35, of Tacoma, Wash.

Shelley said he is accusing the couple of making off yesterday with three-year-old Vicka Jeanne Snyder from the home of her foster parents.

Shelley said Mrs. Braget "was the mother before the child was legally adopted by Harry M. Snyder, of Harrisburg, about two years ago."

Meanwhile, State police headquarters here sent out instructions to police in a wide area to pick up the couple who are believed to be driving a southern route to Tacoma in a new convertible.

AUTO INJURIES FATAL

SHARON, Dec. 21 (AP)—Mrs. Jennie Brewer, 84, of Linesville, died in the Buhl hospital, tonight, several hours after she was struck by a car on the main street in Linesville.

ACTRESS BURIED

LOS ANGELES, Dec 21 (AP) — Blonde Patricia Styles, 25-year-old actress, was buried today after private services at a mortuary.

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Moon Trip Fuel Set; All We Need Is Ship, Says U. S. Wizard

COLUMBUS, O., Dec 21 (AP)—Rocket ships, fired by liquid hydrogen, could travel to the moon—if a ship existed that could make the trip.

That was the latest word on interplanet travel today from Dr. H. L. Johnston, Ohio State university's rocket expert. He is a chemistry professor.

Johnston, who says he is the first man to put liquid hydrogen in rockets, said the fuel could propel a ship at a speed of 30,000 miles per hour.

"All we need is a ship to put the liquid hydrogen in," the scientist commented, "and that's coming."

The almost prohibitive cost of operating a space ship, Johnston said, is the major reason one hasn't been built that could stand the strain of the high-powered fuel.

"One probably could be built right now if someone wanted to spend the money," he explained.

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WHAT THE SHIP would look like, Johnston said was "hypothetical." "It wouldn't be anything that could carry people—not for a long time, anyway."

Nor, Johnston said, could it hop around the universe, Buck Rogers style. "Anything like that," he laughed, "is pretty distant."

Liquid oxygen is used to oxidize, or burn, the hydrogen, Johnston explained.

"It's practically the best known oxidizer, just as liquid hydrogen is certainly the best known rocket fuel," he said.

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TO GET A SHIP to the moon, three tons of the hydrogen-oxygen mixture would be "safe," Johnston said. About 20 percent of that would be liquid oxygen, he added.

The U. S. Air Force, which supports Johnston's work, has the rocket fuel on the secret list. A limited description was released for the first time today.

Johnston refused to comment on possible use of liquid hydrogen during a war.

"All I can say," he smiled, "is that the Air Force is sponsoring it."

"In any case, it is a very expensive fuel. Probably it would never be used for ordinary rocket flights — the cost would be prohibitive."

Johnston and his co-workers observe the fuel in action from behind a four-inch, bullet-proof window in an isolated laboratory on the edge of Columbus. The laboratory is built of 18-inch, reinforced concrete.

"We've never had an accident," Johnston said, "but any rocket work is dangerous."

Kessler Elected to Board Of Memorial Hospital

The appointment of Albert Kessler, 12 Maplewood drive, as a director of the Memorial hospital was announced yesterday by Charles R. Wylie, administrator.

Kessler was appointed to fill the vacancy on the board left by the Rev. George A. Lindeker, rector of Christ Episcopal Church, who resigned two months ago under the pressure of his church activities.

The remaining members of the board elected Kessler at a meeting held the past Monday night.

Celebrates 107th Anniversary

Spry and busy each day with household chores, Mrs. Mary A. Kilworth is shown in her Extra, Ia., home after celebrating her 107th birthday. Mrs. Kilworth came to America from England before the Civil War and recalls Indians roaming the Extra area when she was a young farm wife. Her husband died 42 years ago.

Two Held in Fatal Beating Of Philadelphia Man, 65

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 21 (AP)—Two men were held without bail for the grand jury today charged with the fatal beating last November of Joseph Saturno 65, of Philadelphia.

Chief Deputy Coroner Matthew A. Roth ordered Edward J. Bryant, 25 of Steelton, Pa., and Joseph Chambers, 26 of Philadelphia, held after an inquest into Saturno's death.

Hedge hyssop, an herb with a bitter, nauseous taste once formed the basis for a celebrated gout medicine.

Creamed brussels sprouts are delicious served with cooked, sliced, smoked pork shoulder butt.

Huge Jet Bomber Flies 1000 Miles at 500 MPH

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP) — An XB47 six-engined jet bomber flew a thousand miles at an average speed of about 500 miles an hour yesterday, the Air Force announced today.

The flight was described as a "routine test," and was made from Moses Lake Base, Wash., to Kirtland base, Albuquerque, N. M. The air force said "no effort was made to establish a speed record." In answer to a question, however, an Air Force official said it probably was a record for a bomber over such a long distance.

The XB47 is rated in the 600 mile an hour class and the Air Force has 12 of the jet bombers on order or delivered from the Boeing aircraft company.

Each of the six jet engines develops 4000 pounds thrust.

MAN KILLED BY CAR

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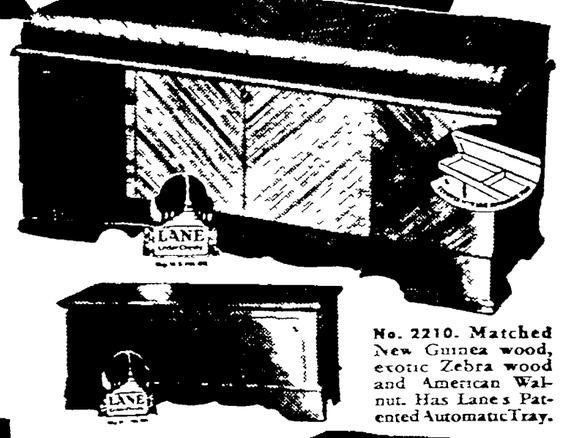

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Railroad Officials Deny Black Market In Reservations

NEW YORK, Dec 21 (AP)—Eastern railroad officials today denied that a widespread "black market" exists in train reservations but admitted they had evidence of some irregular transactions.

The officials had gathered for an informal Commerce commission hearing into alleged black market activities in the sale of railroad passenger accomodation.

Passengers had complained that although they were unable to get reservations at ticket offices they secured them easily by tipping go-betweens.

Their complaints alleged that when they boarded the trains they found much of the accommodations vacant.

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HOMES BANNARD, former general passenger agent for the Pennsylvania railroad and now manager of the roads dining car service, told the commission he believed there has never been any organized or widespread black market in the sale of railroad passenger accommodation.

He said an investigation of the sale of reservations on the Pennsylvania showed that a shortage of room accommodations had led to an unusual demand for such space.

Bannard said "relatively few unscrupulous individuals" have taken advantage of this situation for their own gain.

He announced that the Pennsylvania railroad would file tariffs with the ICC establishing a $1 service charge for a coach seat reservation to remedy the situation of passengers failing to show up for reserved accommodations.

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THE CHARGE, he said, would not be refundable unless passengers release reservations at a prescribed time in advance of train departure.

Everett Pierce, general passenger agent of the New York Central railway, said his line also would file a similar tariff with the ICC.

Bannard said the Pennsylvania road had employed an international detective agency to make 800 individual investigations of train reservation sales but that evidence of law violations were found in only 17 cases.

Pierce told the commission that since 1942 he had initiated 16 different investigations but that he did not discover "any instance of collusion between New York Central employes and persons allegedly bartering space."

Hilldale Gra-Y Club Holds Christmas Party

Thirty-two boys and girls of the Gra-Y club of Hilldale held their Christmas party yesterday afternoon in their clubhouse.

There was a game period, followed by carol singing and the serving of ice cream, plus cake baked by club mothers.

These same children will lead carol singing in Hilldale beginning at 7.30 o'clock Christmas Eve.

The party was under the direction of William S Carden, YMCA extension director. Adults assisting were Mrs Hazel Whitfield, Mrs. Helen Seachrist, Mr and Mrs Richard Moyer, Mrs Phillis Pina, Mrs. Pauline Walker and Mrs Beulah Birckhead.

Veteran Flyer to Attempt New Records at Daytona

PONCA CITY, Okla., Dec 21 (AP)—Bert Acosta, veteran flier, today announced he would soon attempt to set distance and endurance records with a new type light airplane.

Acosta, here to visit wealthy oil man Lew Wentz, said he would test an "automotive plane" and refuel from a car. The attempt will be made at Daytona Beach, Fla.

Acosta was a member of the giant tri-motored plane in which Admiral Richard E. Byrd crossed the Atlantic in 1927.

The flier declined to give details of the new plane.

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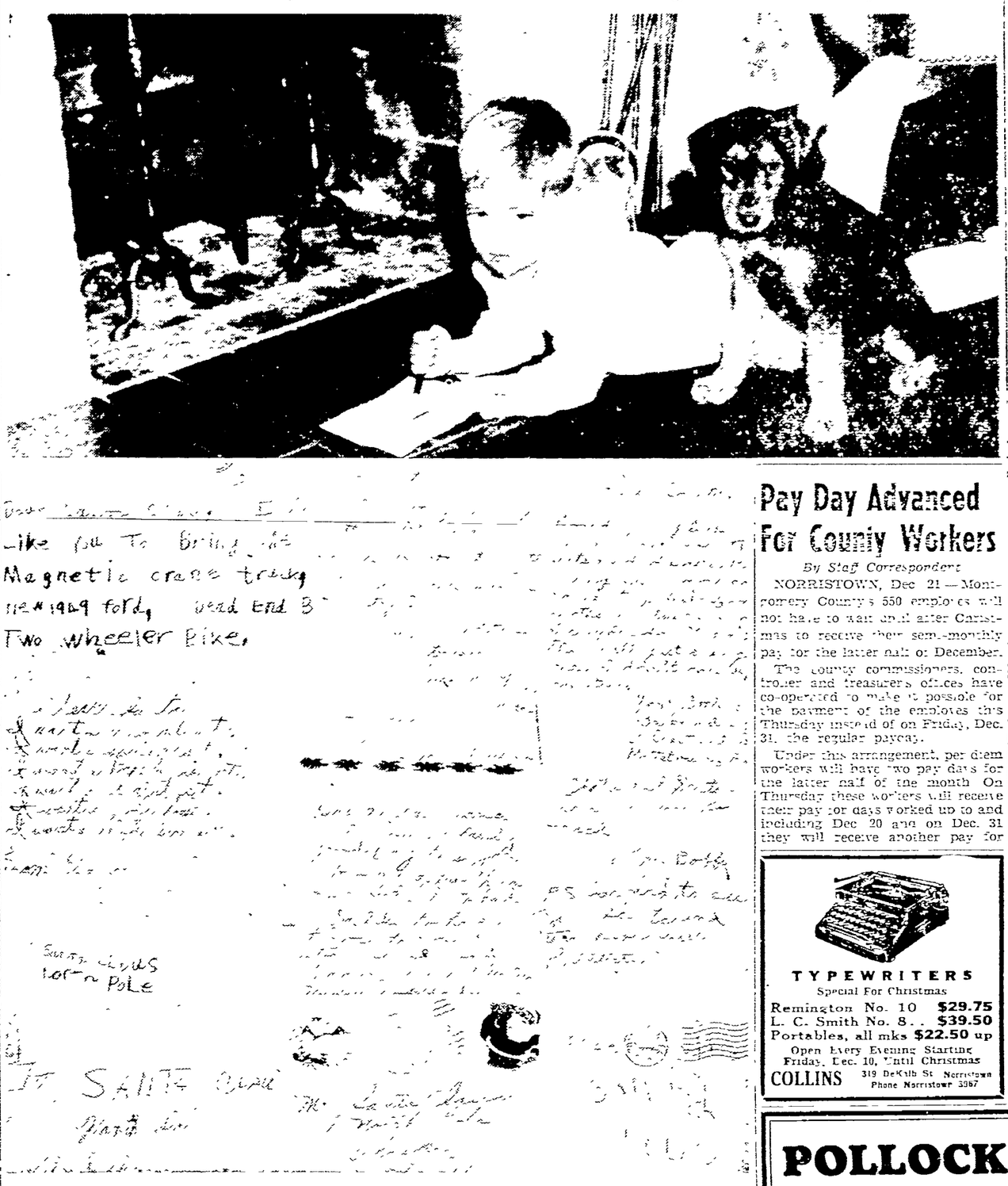

—Mercury Staff Photo by Eugene Orlando

Close by the fireplace where Santa Claus will be welcomed in a few days, David Gingrich, four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Melvin Gingrich, Charlotte and Master streets, pensively thinks of what he's like for Christmas, as his dog, Betsy, patiently sits by while the master scrawls a note to Santa. Other little boys, like David, write letters to St Nick every year, too, and Postmaster Maurice E. Sassaman turns them over to local organizations, which try to make the youngsters' dreams come true. In the lower photograph are a few of the many letters to Santa Claus, addressed to the North Pole, that Sassaman has received this year.

The reindeer is native to northern Europe and Asia where it has been long domesticated, especially in Russia and Lapland.

REAL ESTATE EXPERT DIES

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21 (AP) — Samuel Stern, 72, nationally known real estate man and an authority on savings and loan organization and law, died today.

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Pay Day Advanced For County Workers

By Staff Correspondent

NORRISTOWN, Dec 21 — Montgomery County's 550 employes will not have to wait until after Christmas to receive their semi-monthly pay for the latter half of December.

The county commissioners, controller and treasurer's offices have co-operated to make it possible for the payment of the employes this Thursday instead of on Friday, Dec. 31, the regular payday.

Under this arrangement, per diem workers will have two pay days for the latter half of the month. On Thursday these workers will receive their pay for days worked up to and including Dec 20 and on Dec. 31 they will receive another pay for the period from Dec 21 to Dec. 31, inclusive.

The distribution of approximately $130,000 in payroll funds on the advanced date will prove a boon to County employes in their last-minute Christmas shopping programs.

Fact-Finding Board Decision on Rail Rise Termed 'Good Start' But Still Inadequate

CHICAGO, Dec. 21 (AP)—Sixteen non-operating railway unions are not happy about a presidential board's wage and hour recommendations. The unions' leaders said so today.

The leaders, after conferring for two days the fact-finding board's ideas on a wage and hour settlement with the nation's railroads, came out with a statement:

"The suggestions of the board "fall far short" of what the board itself calculates a fair settlement.

"The fact-finding board—appointed to sit on the union-carrier dispute — recommended that the 1,000,000 non-operating workers be granted a seven-cent hourly wage increase, retroactive to Oct. 1 and a reduction in their work week hours from 48 to 40, without loss of pay, starting Sept. 1, 1949.

"The statement, approved unanimously by some 1100 general chairmen of the unions at today's session, said however:

"The report can be used as a starting point for negotiations."

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GEORGE LEIGHTY, St Louis, general chairman of the unions' negotiating committee, said talks with the carriers will be resumed Jan 5.

The statement said that "the board reports that we are entitled to a 40-hour week without loss of weekly pay, and a wage increase to equal a third round increase in other industries.

"The increase required for this purpose is about 18 cents an hour. With these conclusions we have no quarrel.

"But after thus stating its conclusions as to what is due to the employes, the board makes specific recommendations which fall far short of the equities which they, themselves, have stated.

"Naturally we are greatly disappointed that the board, after having recognized and approved the equitable base of our request, did not follow through in its recommendations on a consistent basis.

"We feel that, nevertheless, the report can be used as a starting point for negotiations."

Vendor With Yule Spirit Sells Trees for 50 Cents

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21 (AP)—Gene Rosenfeld was doing a Santa Claus act on the South side today. He was selling Christmas trees ranging from two to ten feet tall for 50 cents each. Customers could take their pick.

Ordinarily, the larger trees would bring $4 to $5.

Declared Rosenfeld:

"The public has been gouged. I'm selling the trees at a loss as long as anyone wants one."

Woman Cleaning Cellar Drops Board, Breaks Toe

Mrs Paul W. Galloway, 44 High street, broke the bone in the large toe of her right foot Monday noon, when a board she was trying to move in the cellar of her home slipped and fell.

She was cleaning the cellar, she said when the accident occurred.

Dr. Harry K. Marcy Jr. told her to stay off the foot for a few days.

"This is a fine Christmas present," was Mrs. Galloway's caustic comment.

ESCADRILLE CHIEF DIES

PARIS, Dec 21 (AP) — Georges Thenault, French commander of the Lafayette Escadrille of American aviators in World War I, died Sunday.

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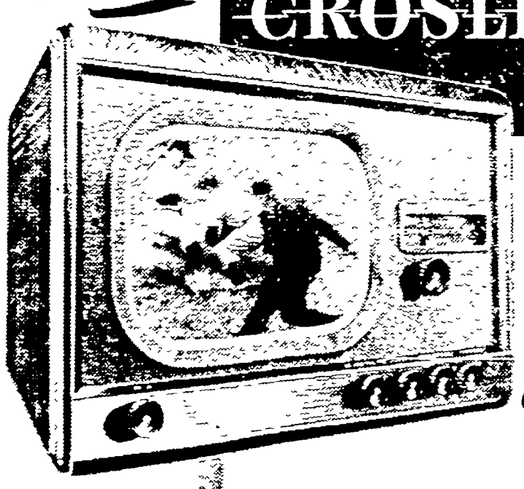

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Steel Workers Take Steps to Share in Health Benefit Plan

The three members of the iniquities committee of Local 2177, United Steel Workers (CIO) have been appointed to attend union school on social insurance, a plan with which the union hopes to bring far-reaching benefits to its members.

J. Alfred Marquet, president of the local, said the plan as now conceived, will bring vast increases in sick, hospitalization and death benefits and pensions.

As drafted at the November national CIO convention in Portland, Ore., the plan will be handled by an insurance company under a group program instead of by management, as is now the case.

Tentative estimates would increase sick benefits from present rates of $10 to $12 per week to $35 per week, death benefits from $150 to $5000 and a increase in pensions to $150 per month.

It is estimated, the local leader said, that six cents per hour in wages would pay for the plan. The bill would be split between workers and management, he pointed out.

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ALTHOUGH CONTRACTS with Bethlehem Steel company locals are in effect until 1950, they may be reopened in April for wage increases on consideration of the social insurance plan, Marquet said.

He added that wage negotiations in April will be contingent on whether or not the talked-of fourth general round of wage increases is pushed by labor.

It is almost certain, however, he said, that the social insurance project will be an integral part of the negotiations. Union experts have been working on the plan since the last United Steel Workers' meeting in April.

The three delegates — Marquet, Charles Hartman and James K. Dilliplane—will attend the school late in February in Pittsburgh.

Meeting in CIO hall, the local voted $50 to the Red Cross Christmas fund and asked the board of trustees to consider a donation to the infantile paralysis drive.

Marquet appointed Lester Baum delegate to the Pottstown Memorial park association membership drive and Benjamin Wade delegate to the community-wide Father and Son Week committee.

Symphonic Group Prepares for First Concert

—Mercury Staff Photos

Concentrating on their musical technics are these members of the Pottstown Community Symphonic orchestra, an amateur group that succeeds the local orchestra that played for several years until 1945. In the top photo (left to right), Earl S. John, Alpheus Umstead and Herman Lichtman are intent upon a passage for strings. Ira B. Trate (right, left bottom photo), helps bolster the brass section, while in the right bottom photo, Charles T. Fulmer, bass player, and Douglas Weller, violinist, follow their score. The orchestra held its first rehearsal the past week, will meet again for practice on Jan. 4.

MOOSE PARTY —

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The youngsters, who were brought to the party both by the club and by the Salvation Army, were treated with oranges, boxes of candy and orders for clothing.

A magician entertained them, and Robert S. MacPhail led them in singing Christmas carols.

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THE LIONS' PARTY in the Elks home was the largest. It was a family affair with 165, including members, their wives and children in attendance.

On hand to enthrall the young guests were a clown and an artist, who drew portraits of some of them in charcoal and presented the sketches to the subjects.

Santa Claus handed out boxes of candy, toys and other Christmas presents before the party broke up.

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TWENTY-FIVE BOYS were the guests of the Pottstown Optimist club at Art's Diner, West High street. Sixteen of them were taken to the party by the Salvation Army.

Roland T. Brauch, vice president in charge of boys' work, took charge of the festivities which included a sleight-of-hand act by John J. Negrich, a club member, and the showing of children's Christmas movies.

The word "hymn" was originally used by ancient Greeks for a song or poem in honor of gods, heroes or famous men.

OBITUARIES

MRS. LENA (PEET) WILEY, 60, POTTSTOWN RD 2 resident for the past 14 years died last night at 10:20 o'clock in the home of Edwin F. Kissinger, with whom she and her husband, Samuel B. Wiley, had lived. She had been ill for seven months.

Born in Hamlin, Wayne county, she was the daughter of the late George and Abi Peet.

Although she was a member of Stroudsburg Mennonite church and never joined Brownback's Reformed church, she had been active in the latter for years.

Surviving, besides her husband, are a sister, Mrs. Lillian Edwards, Modeseo, Calif., and four brothers: Arthur and Ernest, both of Binghamton, N. Y.; George, of Honesdale, and Loran, of Wilson, N. Y.

Funeral services will be held from Avoy Christian church, Lake Ariel RD 2, on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Funeral services for KATHRYN M. (JORDON) ENGLE, president of the Ladies auxiliary of the Empire Hook and Ladder company and wife of Russell Engle, of 32 EAST SECOND STREET, were held yesterday at 2 p. m. from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street.

Officiating was the Rev. Howard A. Kosman, pastor of Zion's Reformed church. Interment was made in Highland Memorial park.

Bearers were Linwood Geisler, Wil[illegible]alsh, Earl Jordon Jr., Walt[illegible]gle, Lawrence Engle and Earl Bailey.

MILK DROP —

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urban Philadelphia, Reading (which is the hub of Pottstown's district), Lehigh, Lancaster, York and Harrisburg.

Recent hearings conducted by the three-man commission on the proposed drop have brought forth no opposition to the proposal.

When the August increase was effected, there was a sharp split within the commission itself.

DOG COUGHS UP SAPPHIRE

LONDON, Dec. 21 (AP)—It wasn't one of her dog "Ricky's" teeth, Mrs. Peggy Palmer discovered. It was a rare white sapphire worth $200. "Rickey" spat it out after finding it in the middle of an Australian rabbit's liver bought at the local butcher's.

POLES HOLD 600 AUSTRIANS

VIENNA, Dec. 21 (AP)—More than 600 Austrian prisoners of war are still being held in Poland, according to recent repatriates from that country. The Austrian government recently pledged itself to do everything possible to speed up the return of prisoners of war from all countries.

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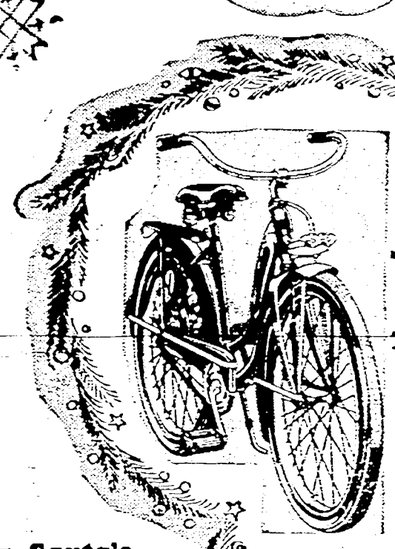

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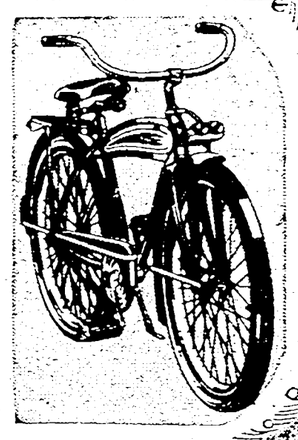

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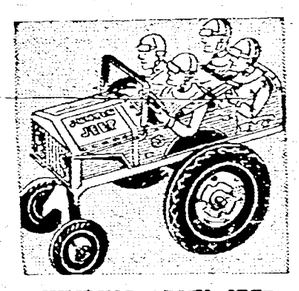

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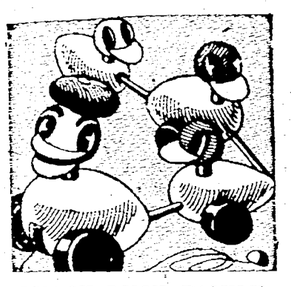

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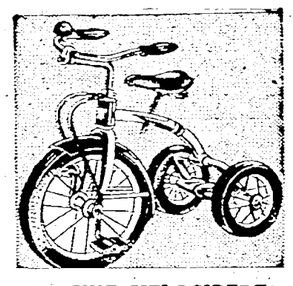

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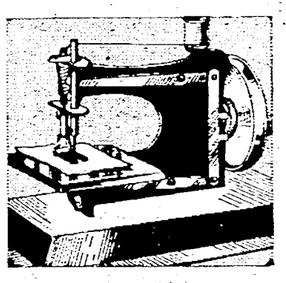

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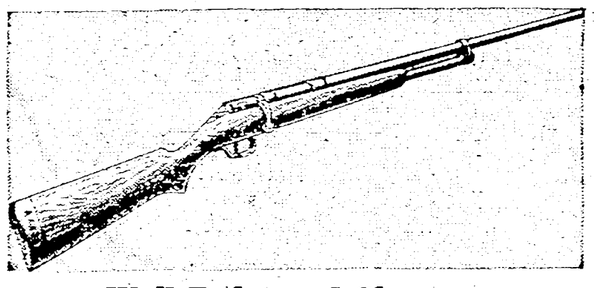

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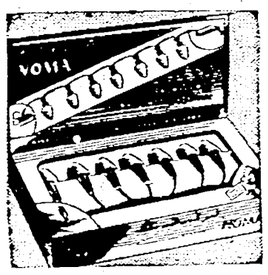

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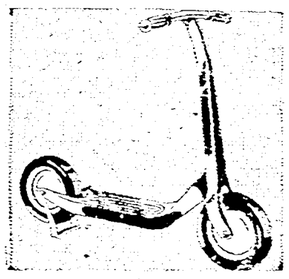

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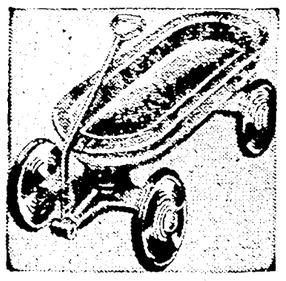

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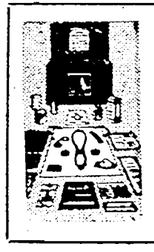

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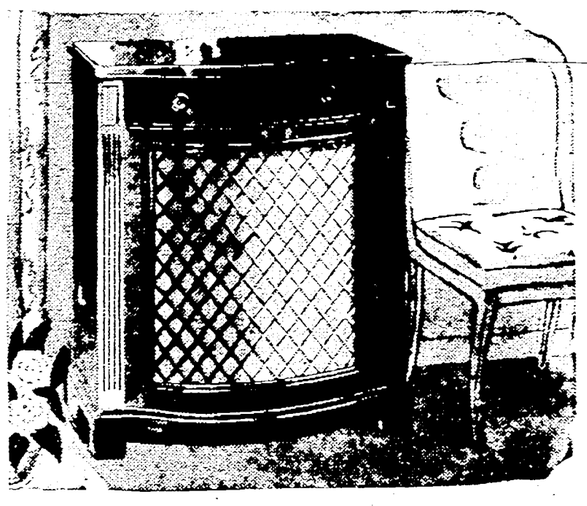

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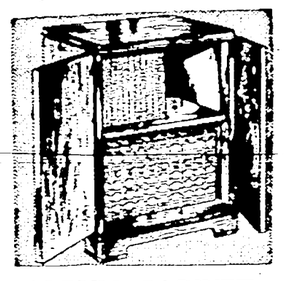

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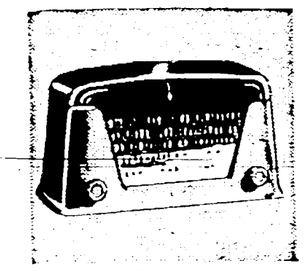

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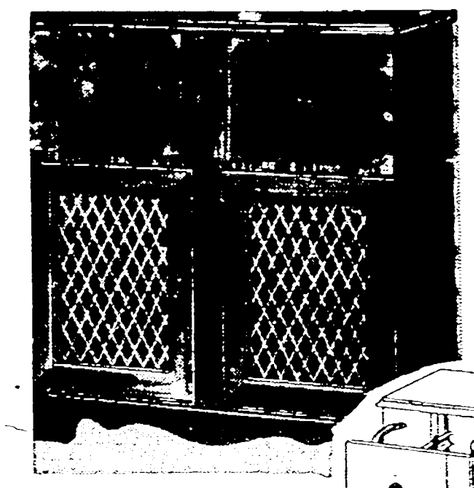

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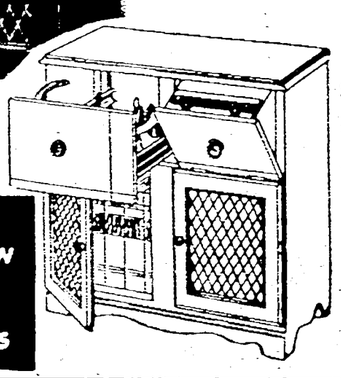

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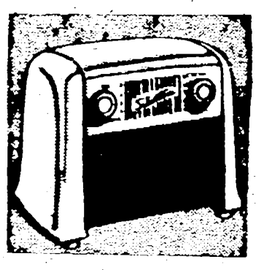

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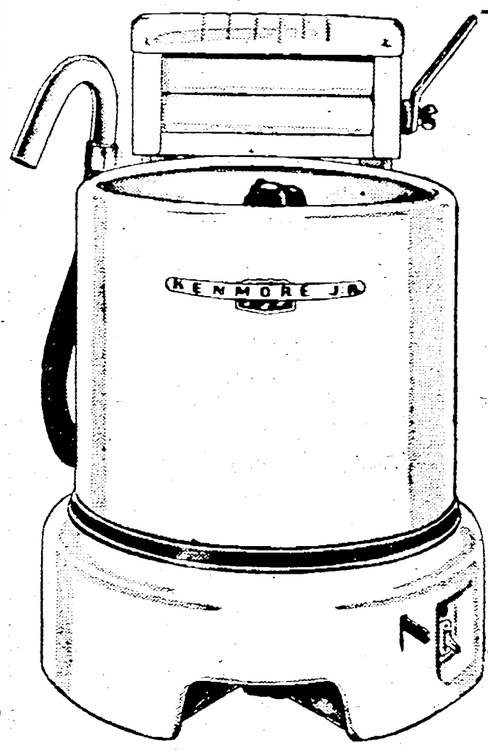

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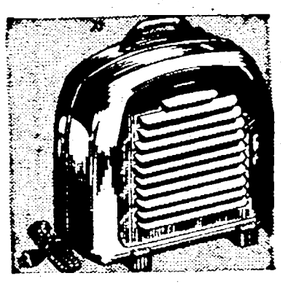

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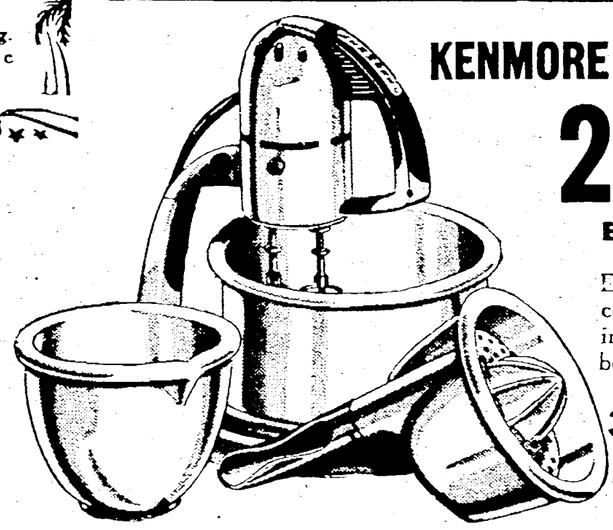

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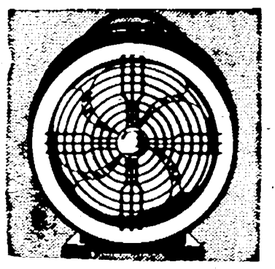

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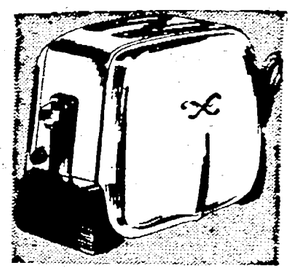

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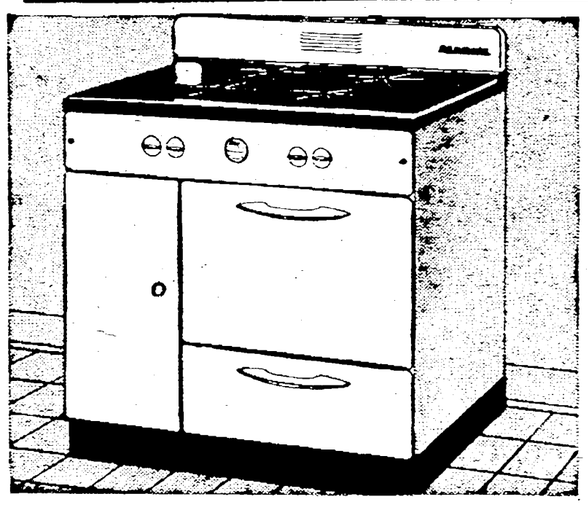

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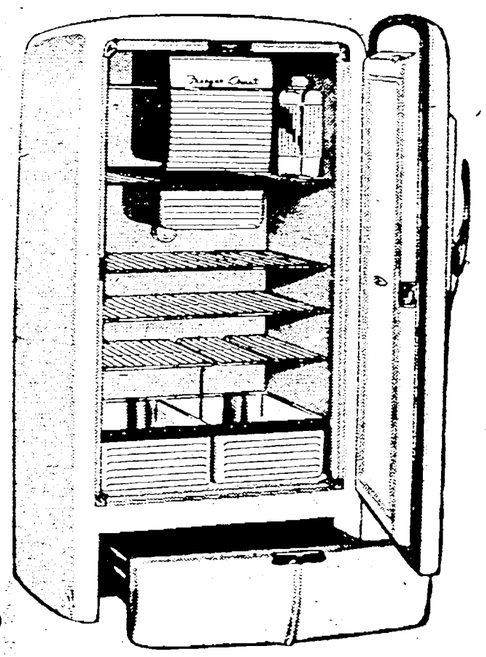

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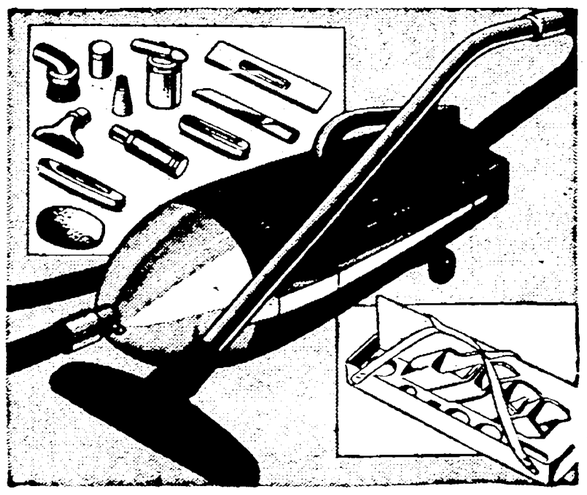

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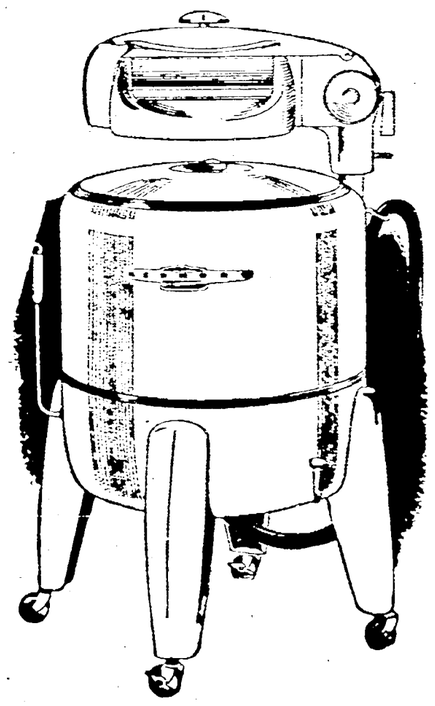

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Duff Favors Action To Double Grants For Free Hospitals

HARRISBURG, Dec 21 (AP)—Gov. James H. Duff today told a committee of hospital trustees he favors a move to more than double State grants for free hospital care

"The governor was very sympathetic," said Alan M. Scaife, of Pittsburgh, chairman of the Elizabeth Magee hospital and head of the committee. "He pledged his support to the proposal if the Legislature provides the funds"

The delegation asked for $26,217,000 in State aid instead of the $12,000,000 granted two years ago by the 1947 General Assembly.

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STATE-AIDED HOSPITALS, Scaife said, will be "just flat on their backs" unless the request is granted

Scaife said the Pennsylvania Hospital association, which the committee represents, favors "new taxes if necessary" to meet the State-aided hospital needs.

The 1947 Legislature set a $5.50 for each day of free service per patient, Scaife said, but the State-wide payments averaged only $3.95 against actual costs of $8.26

He said the committee also urged revision in the formula for payments, suggesting the hospitals be guaranteed 60 percent of the cost of free service instead of the flat appropriations to individual institutions.

The committee requested $21,500,000 for free patient care in place of the $12,000,000 for nurses' training, hospital functions previously unaided by the State

In a letter presented the governor, the committee noted hospital operating costs have more than doubled in the past five years

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In the time of Confucious, the rabbit was bred for sacrificial uses in China

Snow Gives Times Square a Winter Look

Times Square's new white mantle is rapidly turning to dirty ruts as traffic churns up the newly-fallen snow. View is looking south with Broadway at right and the Father Duffy monument at left. City mobilized thousands of workers to combat fall of 19.5 inches.

2 Jap Officers Accused Of Atrocities Arrested

TOKYO, Dec 21 (AP) — A former Japanese army lieutenant, accused of beheading 17 American airmen after Emperor Hirohito broadcast the surrender of 1945, has been arrested

He is Noboru Hashiyama, who will go on trial before an Eighth Army military commission within a few days He is charged with commanding a group of Japanese soldiers who beheaded the airmen.

General MacArthur's legal section also announced it finally had captured former Warrant Officer Jiro Hamamoto after a search lasting two and a half years Hamamoto is charged with shooting three captured airmen He was found working as a shellfish diver

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NEW BERLINVILLE

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Election of Sunday school officers was held recently in Zion's Sunday school. The following are the new officers. Mark Stahl, superintendent; Rodman Stahl, assistant superintendent; Doris Stahl, secretary; Emily Daugherty, treasurer; Mrs. Etta Rothermil, pianist; Mrs. Nettie Stahl, superintendent of the primary department and Emily Daugherty, superintendent of the junior department

The Christmas program of Zion's Sunday school will be held Sunday night at 7 30 o'clock. The program at the community tree on Christmas eve will be held at 8 o'clock. Distribution of gifts will be held in the morning.

Lee Henry, of Bucknell university, Lewisburg, and Owen Henry, of Albright college, Reading, are spending their Christmas vacation at the home of their parents, Mr and Mrs Isaac Henry.

Mrs Carl Herbst and son, Glenn, left for Jacksonwald.

Miranda Boyer called on Mrs. Ela Smith and family in Boyertown.

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Mrs. Myrtle Handwork, corr. Richard Peterman, del. Phone 735-J-4.

Mr Donald Silknitter spent the weekend in New York.

Hunter Matthews visited Russell Wells and family.

Mr. and Mrs Joseph McGinley, Trenton, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. George McGinley and children, Geigertown, spent a day with their mother, Mrs. Alice McGinley.

Miss Henrietta McGoldrick visited Grant Handwork and family recently.

Pine Swamp church will hold a Christmas program tonight

St Mary's church held a Christmas party for the children in the parish house recently About 35 children and adults attended. After singing Christmas carols, Santa Claus presented each child with a gift, and all were treated to cake and ice cream

Street, Sewer Committee Plans Meeting Tonight

Members of council's highway and sewer committee will meet at 7 30 o'clock tonight to discuss sewer charges in the borough.

Chairman Gerald J. Daly, Ninth ward councilman, will be in charge.

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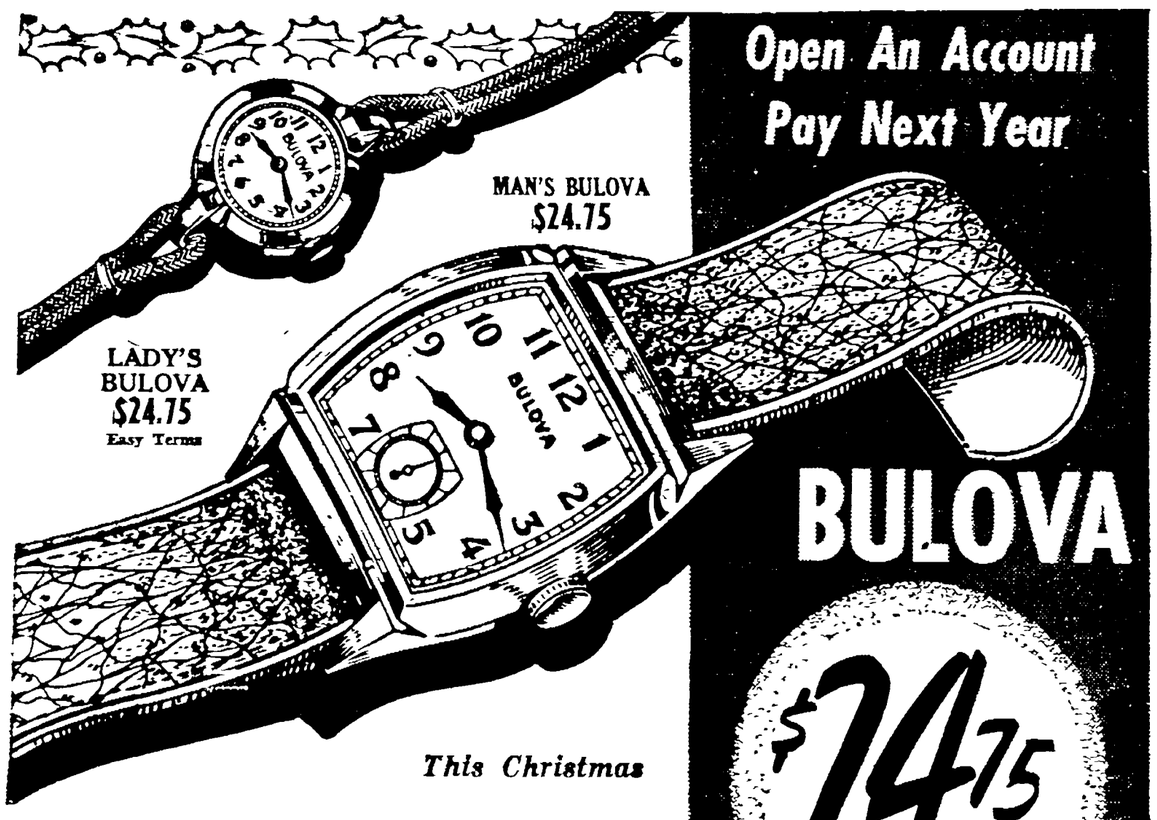

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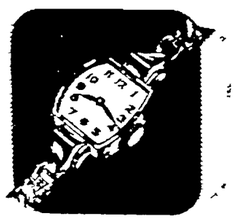

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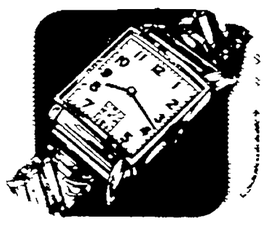

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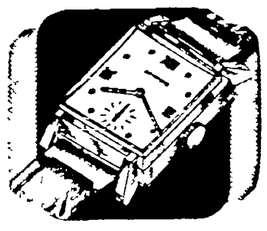

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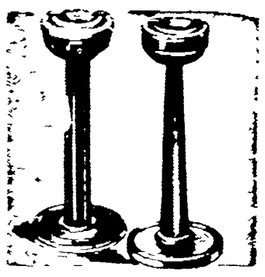

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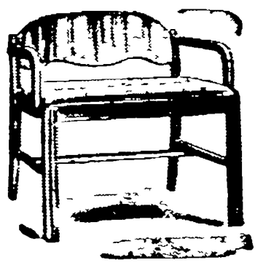

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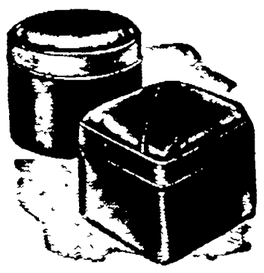

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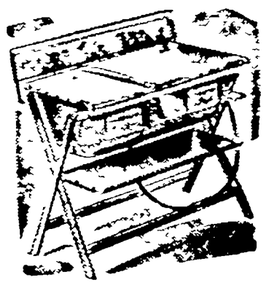

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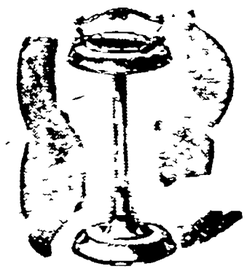

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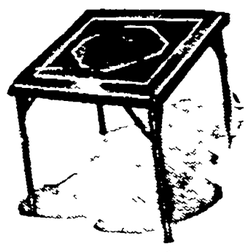

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Western Powers Establish Own Government in Berlin

Geyser of Fire Follows Gas Blast

Flames leap hundreds of feet into the air in a spectacular geyser of fire after a gas main exploded on the Glendale-Los Angeles city line. Here, a fireman plays a hose of water on the roof of a home from which the family was routed. The only damage was the charring of the walls of a number of adjacent buildings.

BERLIN, Dec 21 (AP) — The Western powers set up their own military government for Berlin today without Russia.

Meanwhile the inhabitants of the suburban village of Stolpe were sacrificed in the bitter East-West political warfare for control of this blockaded city.

The village voted anti-Communist in this month's elections. But today the Russians took control of Stolpe with French consent.

The French commandant of Berlin said the French feared for Stolpe's inhabitants but acted.

"The choice was to help two million in Berlin instead of four hundred in Stolpe."

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SETTING UP OF a three-power military government for Western Berlin was the final official step recognizing that the city is definitely split between Russia and the West.

Postwar agreements provided that the four conquering governments should control Berlin. They exercised this control through machinery known as the Kommandatura. The Russians refused to participate in the Kommandatura after July 1. They set out to govern their section of the city themselves. This stalled four-power machinery.

Today the United States, Britain and France meeting in the old Kommandatura building announced they would carry on Kommandatura rule on a three power basis.

This in effect meant the Western powers would govern their three sectors as a single unit.

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THE WAY WAS LEFT open for the Soviets to rejoin the Kommandatura and unified rule if they desired. No one expected them to do so.

First order of business would probably be to pass on some 60 requests from the elected Berlin city government which the Russians had vetoed in the past.

The village of Stolpe and the fate of its inhabitants attracted most of the attention in Berlin.

The village and its surrounding area have a population estimated at anywhere from 400 to 1000.

EX-RED DENIES DUGGAN GAVE OUT SECRETS

Whittaker Chambers Says He Never Got Information From Federal Employe

NEW YORK, Dec 21 (AP) —Whittaker Chambers, admitted former Communist courier, denied today that any secret papers had been passed to him by Laurence Duggan, former State department official who died in a 16-story plunge last night.

Chambers also said he did not know Duggan. He described Duggan's death as a "shocking thing."

Duggan, 43, a State department official 14 years and for the past two years president of the Institute of International Education, leaped or fell from a window of his 16th floor office just off Fifth avenue.

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AFTER DUGGAN'S DEATH, the House un-American activities committee released testimony by Isaac Don Levine, magazine editor and friend of Chambers, bringing Duggan's name into the committee's espionage probe. Levine testified about a 1939 conference between Chambers and Adolf A. Berle Jr., assistant secretary of state. Levine attended the meeting.

A transcript of the testimony showed Levine testified that Chambers mentioned Duggan as one of six persons in the State department who "at different times passed confidential information along." Levine also said Chambers mentioned Duggan's name "in connection with the transmission of papers."

Chambers corrected this today in talking to newsmen outside the quarters of the Federal grand jury here. The grand jury is also holding a spy inquiry.

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"IT WOULD BE MORE proper to say that I mentioned six people," Chambers explained. "I mentioned Mr Duggan. But I did not mention all those people as having turned over those papers. I did not name Mr Duggan as passing over papers to me."

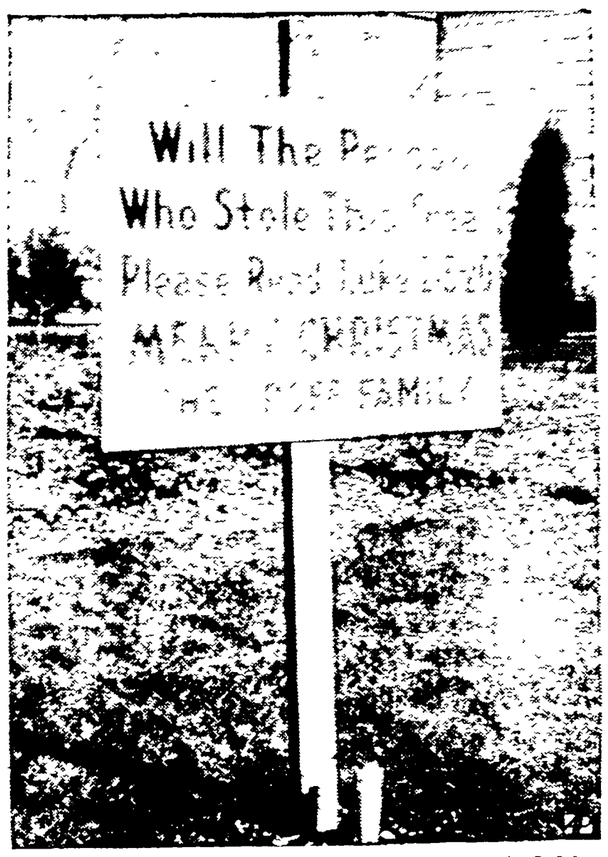
Levine's office said he was on vacation and not reachable.

A Federal government official said Duggan never had been called before the grand jury now meeting here or its predecessor which indicted Alger Hiss, another one-time State department official. Hiss was charged with perjury to conceal evidence or espionage. He pleaded innocent.

HEADS WESTERN UNION

NEW YORK, Dec 21 (AP) — A former postal telegraph official, Walter P. Marshall, was elected president of the Western Union Telegraph company today.

Biblical Advice



Noah Groff of Baresville, Pa., awoke the other morning to find his six-foot evergreen tree missing—chopped down and hauled away—so he erected this sign "It might do the thief good to read the Nativity Story," said Groff. He had planned to decorate the tree for Christmas.

Reds Moving Up to Yangtze And Control of North China

NANKING, Dec. 21 (AP)—Besieged Peiping and Tientsin were written off militarily today by observers who believe "the shooting war" in the whole vast region North of the Yangtze is all but over.

Qualified military observers declared the government now lacks the forces to mount an offensive anywhere from Nanking to the Peiping-Tientsin area—once a bower of nationalist strength—500 miles to the north.

Nor do they believe the government can check any big Communist push to the north bank of the Yangtze, a form capital barrier and the last before this capital Nanking lies on the south bank.

(The Communist radio hinted that it won't be long before strong Red forces reach the Yangtze at a point about 30 miles east of Nanking where the Grand Canal flows into the river.

(A broadcast announced the capture of Kaoyu, 40 miles north of the Yangtze and 65 miles northeast of Nanking, last Thursday.

(The broadcast, heard by the Associated Press at San Francisco, indicated the next objective would be the grand canal town of Yangchow. Yangchow is only nine miles from the Yangtze and 43 miles from Nanking.)

Tientsin appeared to be as tightly encircled as the other big North China city, Peiping.

All communication to the sea was cut when the Reds seized portions of the railway, including the town of Chunliangcheng, 13 miles east of Tientsin.

Government headquarters said the Reds suffered 1000 casualties before taking the town. This is probably an exaggeration.

The city's airport is under Red artillery fire and the railway leading northwest to Peiping has been cut for days. The Reds are as close as three miles or less to Tientsin.

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THE GOVERNMENT reported "fierce" fighting overnight around the southwest gate at Peiping. The fighting, however, seems to have slackened around the old capital of China.

(The Communist radio said the 35th Army, one of the main forces of Gen Fu Tso-yi, commander in North China, was encircled in the mountains about 60 miles northwest of Peiping. The Army was being bombarded with demands to surrender).

The two islands of resistance in North China, as well as two more on the Suchnow front northwest of Nanking, thus developed into holding operations—and none too good at that.

Associated Press correspondent Seymour Topping reported from the East China front that the government was completing the abandonment of the Hwai river line 100 miles northwest of the capital.

U. S. 'Freezes' $70,000,000 In Aid for China

WASHINGTON, Dec 21 (AP)—The government today "froze" about $70,000,000 in economic aid to China until the situation clears in that Communist-threatened country.

Paul G. Hoffman, chief of the Economic Co-operation administration, announced the action to newsmen after conferring with President Truman at the White House.

The announcement came as Nationalist China moved closer to utter collapse.

Hoffman said ECA has suspended almost all reconstruction projects in China, including the rebuilding of war-shattered transportation systems and docks.

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HE INDICATED, however, that ECA will go ahead with other phases of its $400,000,000 program to help China—notably food. Congress voted $275,000,000 to assist China's economic recovery, plus $125,000,000 in military aid.

Coincidentally, the State department reported that China on Dec. 17 had only $6,505,583 left of the Congress-approved military funds. The department said withdrawals totalled $118,496,416 and the report showed $1,221,547 was paid by the treasury on order of the Chinese government for arms and supplies.

Hoffman said ECA will continue to administer relief in Chinese cities where such work has been going on, so long as terms of the ECA act are met.

The announcement of the reconstruction fund suspension again reflected the administration's reluctance to jeopardize American dollars in dealing with the China crisis. It came 11 days after Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wife of China's generalissimo, made an urgent personal appeal to President Truman for even greater help.

Spy Probers 562 Red Organizations And 190 Publications Operating in U. S.

WASHINGTON Dec 21 (AP)—The United States harbors 562 organizations cited as Communist or as Red fronts and 190 such publications, the House un-American activities committee said today.

It listed the names in a 144-page pamphlet and said this is the first time anybody ever rounded them up. They came from official Government agencies—Federal, state and city, the committee said. It noted that they've been named before.

The fronts are Communism's "greatest weapon in the country today," the report said. It estimated there are hundreds of them. The committee's definition of a Communist front is:

"An organization or publication created or captured by the Communists to do the party's work in special fields."

The committee is in a comparative year-end quiet while it writes its official story of Communist intrigue in America.

It's methods are in for some broad changes after the first of the year if one of its most prominent members, Representative Mundt (R-SD) gets his way.

Some of his proposals are along lines suggested outside of the committee in bitter attacks on its methods of dealing with witnesses.

Mundt said he will seek permission to list questions for the committee to ask accusers or other witnesses.

SMALL TRAINS TESTED

BERWICK, Dec 21 (AP)—Two small passenger trains built for the Spanish government were tested here today.

Clark Asks High Court to Rule Tidelands Under U. S. Jurisdiction

Washington, Dec 21 (AP) — In a move involving millions of dollars in potential oil wealth, Attorney General Clark asked the Supreme court today to rule that the Federal government has jurisdiction over the tidelands off the coasts of Texas and Louisiana.

Clark

Only the past April, the Navy and Interior departments announced jointly that new explorations indicate the existence of salt dome geological structures — similar to those which have proven flush oil producers inland — in the Gulf of Mexico seaward from Sabine Pass, Tex. to Grand Cheniere, La.

Private oil companies have been busy exploring the shallow water areas closer to shore.

Clark's move today was a new move in the government's continuing action to gain title to the tidelands now claimed by the states. The fight has been long and bitter, involving Congress, the courts, the executive branch of the Federal government, the States, legal departments and the oil companies.

The Supreme court ruled in June, 1947, that the Federal government has a "paramount" interest in the marginal sea off the California coast.

DUFF APPOINTS SHERIFF

HARRISBURG, Dec 21 (AP)—Gov James H Duff today appointed Robert J MacBride, Collingdale, as sheriff for Delaware county to serve until the first Monday of January, 1950. He succeeds G. Robert Watkins who resigned.

Military Coups In Latin America Rapped by U. S.

WASHINGTON Dec 21 (AP)—Alarmed by revolutions in Latin America, the United States today denounced as "deplorable" the changing of governments by military force.

The State department said in a statement that such military coups are increasingly a danger to all the countries of this hemisphere.

The United States went into consultations with an undisclosed number of Latin American governments to get their ideas of "legitimate and appropriate actions" that might be taken to strengthen the democratic and constitutional "framework" of the hemisphere governments.

The US announcement of policy and actions followed a series of armed upheavals during the past few months in which three Latin American Governments were overthrown and eight others threatened.

FILES BANKRUPTCY CLAIM

SCRANTON, Dec 21 (AP)—A York county grain and feed merchant filed today a voluntary bankruptcy petition in U S District court. The merchant, Goldie Dew Grimault listed assets of $5199 against liabilities of $27,601.

Berlin Romeo Caught, Says He'd Give Up Citizenship for Girl

BERLIN Dec 21 (AP) — Edward J Lada, jail-breaking former paratrooper, was recaptured by American agents today and thrown into a cell solders call the "black-box."

It is the nearest thing to solitary confinement in the American blockade.

Lada, who hitchhiked through the Soviet blockade to Berlin to see his girl — he became confused which one—was despondent tonight after three days of freedom. He said:

"I would give up my citizenship to stay with Ruth and the baby. If I am sent home, all I can do is come back here, give up my passport and live like a German."

His capture by U S Army investigators on Berliner street in an apartment belonging to a girl friend of Ruth's climaxed two weeks of madcap adventure for the 20-year-old New Jersey romeo.

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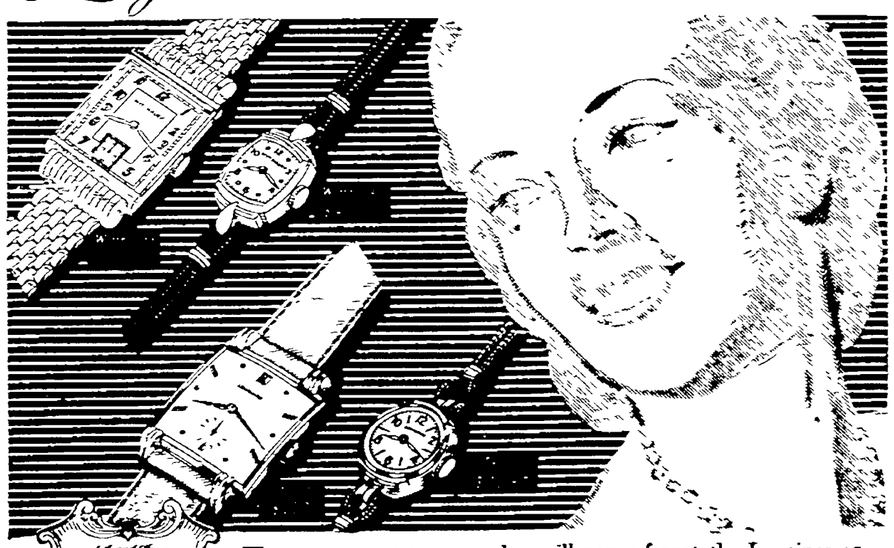

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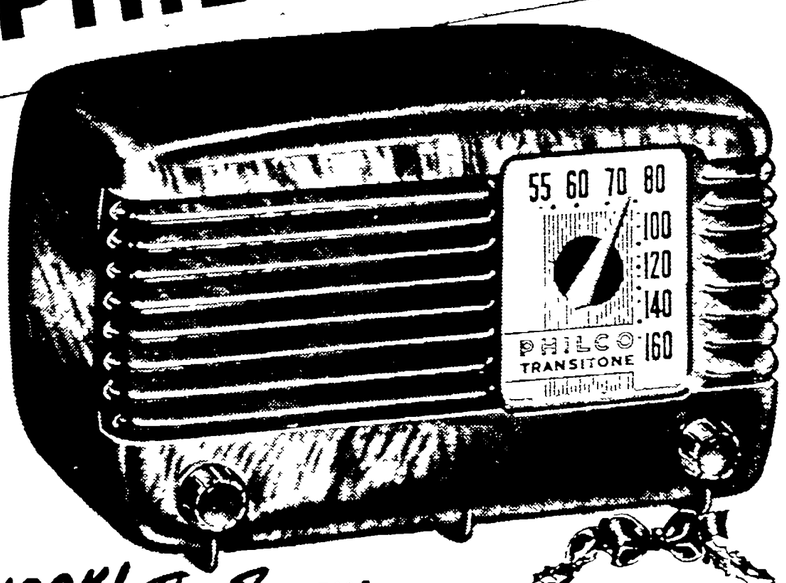

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Operetta 'Heigh-Ho Holly' to Be Presented By Colebrookdale Consolidated Students

The Colebrookdale Consolidated school will present an operetta entitled "Heigh-Ho Holly" in the school on Thursday, Dec. 23, at 7:30 p. m. The teachers in charge are Mrs. Esther Stauffer, Mrs. Minnie Heller, Mrs. Sarah Dutcher, Mrs. Mary Trethewey and Mrs Adam, music teacher, the accompanist.

The main characters will be played by Arnold Houch, Joanne Fritz, Gail Neiman, George Shirey, Phyllis Schaeffer, and Rochelle Leach.

Other members of the cast are: skaters, Nancy Erb, Joyce Peters, Barbara Pennypacker, Louise Shirey, Dolores Houch, Barbara Romig and Betty Gresh.

Snowball scene: narrator, Darryl Sipf; snow man, Douglass Hool; Magee, Edgar Turner, Robert Spade, Thomas Castor, Robert Gresh and Ronald Swavely.

Jingle bells: Janice Youse, Brenda Hool, Nancy Long, Katherine Renninger, Fay Swavely, Carol Ann Buckter, Faye Moll, Margarite Spade Pamela Hoffman, Barbara Herb, June Gresh, Jo Ann Eisenhard, Marjorie Rohrbach, Beverly Rahn, Anna Pennypacker, Bernice Ero, Joan Weller, Joan School, Ruth Gresh, Alice Hartman.

Christmas baskets: Timothy Gresh, Robert Yerk, David Bumbaugh, Richard Brady, Herbert Weisner Daniel Gresh, Thomas Leach, David Houch, Melvin Swavely.

Shoppers: Darlene Gresh, Louise Shirey, Margaret Moyer, Betty Gresh, Dolores Houch, Joyce Peters, Nancy Erb, Shirley Minner, Fern Dunkelberger, Ruth Gresh, Elaine Bumbaugh.

Ocean bathers: Donald Hanna, Lester Levan, Pauline School, Ronald Rhoads, Robert Shane, Ronald Conrad, Patricia Weller, Richard Davidheiser, Hershel Erb, Patricia School, Jane Hanna, Diana Strausser, Esther Wade, Patsy Gresh, Barbara Renninger, Warren Fram.

Dancer: Phyllis Schaeffer.

Christmas trees: Betty Levan, Grace Weller, Gloria Erb, Sue Houser, Esther Gresh, Elwood Turner, James Erb, Barry Shirey, Robert Mauger, Earl Goodoll, Billy Shirel, Lamont Nester.

Collection: Darryl Sipf, Douglass Hool.

Mexican skit: Louise Shirey, Shirlot Fram, Diana Strausser, Esther Wade, Barbara Romig, Betty Gresh, Nancy Erb, Dolores Houch, Jane Hanna, Douglass Hool, Rowan Fritz, Henry Davidheiser, Thomas Castor, William Hart, John Spade, David Erb, Ralph Mauger.

Sleepers: Fred Sands, John Sterner, Steward Reinert, George Davidheiser, Gerald McElwee, Beverly Rahn, Ruth Gresh, Barbara Herb, and Janice Youse.

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A silver offering will be accepted at the door.

GIRL SCOUT PARTY TONIGHT

The Gilbertsville Girl Scouts will have their Christmas party in Memorial hall at the chapel tonight at 7 o'clock. Fifty-cent gifts will be exchanged by the girls.

MEETINGS

Popodickon Tribe 368, Improved Order of Redmen, at 7:30 p. m. in the Keystone Fire house.

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Gilbertsville Girl Scouts Troop 12 at 7 p. m. in the Memorial hall of the Gilbertsville chapel.

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Youth Fellowship Christmas party at 7 p. m. in the Reformed church.

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The chapel choir rehearsal at 7 p. m. in the Lutheran church.

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The Senior choir rehearsal at 8 p. m. in the Lutheran church.

Boyertown Classified

Deaths 1

STOFFLET—In Hoffmansville, on Sunday, Dec. 19, William N., husband of Mabel F. (Hoffman) Stoffiet, aged 42. Relatives and friends are invited to services from the Schwenk funeral home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, on Thursday at 1:30 p. m. Further services in Christ Lutheran church, Niantic. Interment in Niantic cemetery. Friends may call Wednesday evening between 7 and 9 p. m. (Schwenk)

Card of Thanks 2

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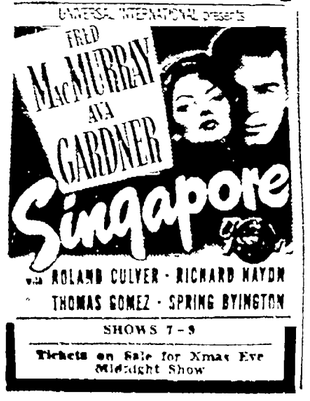

SHOWS 7-9
Tickets on Sale for Xmas Eve Midnight Show

DEATHS - FUNERALS

Funeral services for NORMAN HANLEY, husband of Cora (Stengel) Hanley, of GILBERTSVILLE, were held yesterday at 2 p. m. from a funeral home at 124 West Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown.

Rev. William L. Shaud, pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran church, officiated. Burial was made in the Union cemetery, Boyertown.

The bearers were Fred Steinmetz, Samuel Hanley, William Yerger and Charles Boris.

Surprise Birthday Party Given Frederick Smith

Frederick Smith, son of Mr and Mrs. Claude Smith, Gaoleville, was the guest of honor at a surprise birthday party at his home on Saturday night. He celebrated his 19th birthday yesterday.

Games were played and luncheon was served. He was the recipient of many gifts. The following were present: Ruth Yerger, Shirley Gitt, Harry Mutter, Raymond Stauffer, Vivian Stauffer, Anna Renninger, Victor Prutzman, Jack Fram, Marian Moser, Paul Moatz Jr., Fred Lutchert, Vivian Mecherly, Lewis Miller, Jesse Mercer, Anna Reeser, Lois Mecherly, Dorothy Rhoads, Frederick Smith, Kenneth Moatz, Janet Moatz, Richard Moatz, William Mecherly, Harold Mecherly, Lee Mecherly, Dennis Prutzman, Constance Moyer, Larry Moyer, William Smith, Gene Smith, Jackie Smith, Linwood Schanely, Ella Moyer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Updegrove, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Shaner, Mr. and Mrs Lewis Mecherly, Mr. and Mrs Paul Moatz, Mr. and Mrs Donald Moatz, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin D Moyer, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Moyer Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Leon Prutzman and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith

60 Children Entertained At Odd Fellows' Party

The Boyertown Odd Fellows entertained approximately 60 children at their annual yuletide party in the local IOOF hall Monday night. The entertainment committee in charge of John Trendler presented several reels of comic motion pictures and played recorded Christmas music.

The committee served refreshments, after which Santa Claus stopped in and presented each child with candy and fruit.

The committee in charge with James Betz, chairman, consisted of Leonard Shollenberger, Ted Schonely, Lawrence Fryer, Leonard Angstadt, and Robert Graber.

Trinity Church Bible Club Holds Christmas Party

Mrs Russell Schaeffer was hostess at a Christmas party for the Bible club at Trinity Evangelical Congregational church on Monday night. Gifts were exchanged, games were played and a luncheon was served.

Those present were: Hazel Achey Fern Bickle, Marjorie Barr, Gloria Spohn, Doris Spohn, Phyllis Stark Doris Schanely, Suzanne Kohler Marcia Krysa, Rodney Bowers, Roger Weidner, Robert Leinbach, Billy Schultz, Ella Reinauer, Phyllis Weidner, Iva Weidner, Virginia Bickle, Patsy Mathias, Jennie Mathias, Mrs. Allen Miller, David Schaeffer, Rev. W. F. Bowers, Mrs Russell Schaeffer and Mrs. Frank Achey.

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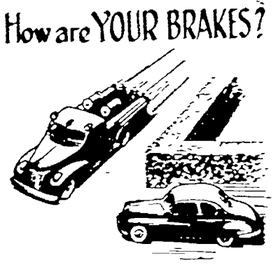

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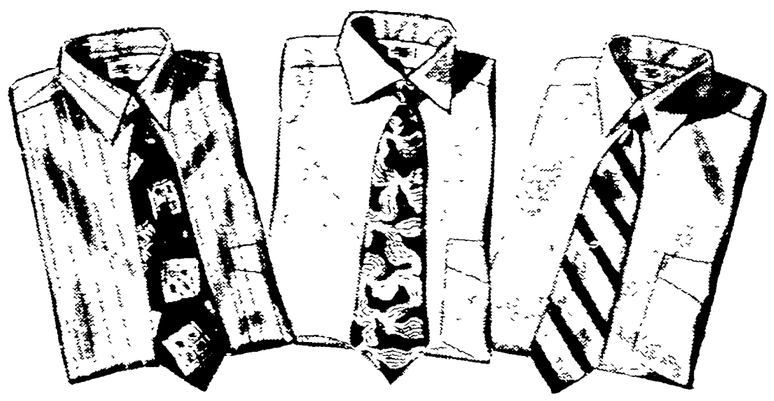

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In behalf of the Jewish Philanthropic League, Harry Hershfield, famous artist and toastmaster presents a bronze plaque to Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt in New York. She was honored for her outstanding accomplishments in child welfare, regardless of race, creed or color. Looking on is Henry Modell, who is treasurer of the organization.

Union Ends 3-Day Tie-up Of Philadelphia Wharves

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21 (AP)—The AFL International Longshoremen's union announced tonight the three-day old tie-up at the port of Philadelphia has been settled. Workers will begin returning to work tomorrow morning.

Paul Baker, a vice president of the union, said the issue was settled according to the union viewpoint, adding that men reporting for work will be guaranteed four hours pay even if weather or conditions prevent continuation of work.

For men reporting at 1 p. m., or later, there will be a guaranty of two hours pay, he said.

MEAT STRIKE CALLED

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21 (AP) — A strike of 52 meat department and delicatessen employes of McCann & company has been called for 6 a. m. tomorrow as a result of a wage contract dispute.

Three Members of Family Shot, Sheriff Killed by Blast; Police Hunt Father

LUCEDALE, Miss., Dec. 21 (AP) — Three members of a Lucedale farm family were shot to death tonight, and the sheriff who went to the slaying scene was killed by a shotgun blast.

The dead are Mrs. Murdock Hinton, 45; her daughter, Gloria, 18, and her two-month-old grand-daughter, Judy; and Sheriff J. E. Nelson.

Justice of the Peace J. H. Havard said an inquest held that all four were shot to death, and that Mrs. Hinton's 48-year-old husband was being sought for questioning in the slayings.

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HAVARD GAVE THIS account of the four slayings:

Sheriff Nelson, accompanied by Gloria, went to the Hinton home where the bodies of Mrs. Murdock Hinton and the baby — Gloria's daughter—were found. Gloria was unmarried, he said.

The sheriff was felled as he stepped from the car and the killer escaped in the sheriff's automobile.

Gloria's body was found in the wreckage of the getaway car about 10 miles south of here. Her neck was broken, but examination showed she had been shot to death before the wreck. Havard said it appeared she was killed at the scene of the other slayings.

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GLORIA HAD CALLED the sheriff and asked him to go home with her to investigate some "domestic trouble."

"There has been continuous trouble out there and we've had to go out there several times in the past," Havard said.

At Mobile, Ala., 30 miles south of here, the Alabama highway patrol reported that a posse from two states, aided by bloodhounds, was searching for Hinton in a thickly wooded area south of Lucedale.

MINER IS KILLED

INDIANA, Pa., Dec. 21 (AP)—Blair Gromley, 41, of Cherry Tree, was killed today in a fall of rock at the Glenside No. 6 mine of the James Coal company near Starford.

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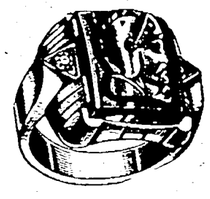

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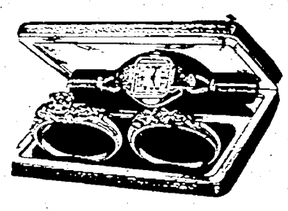

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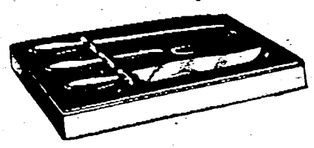

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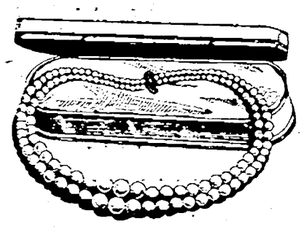

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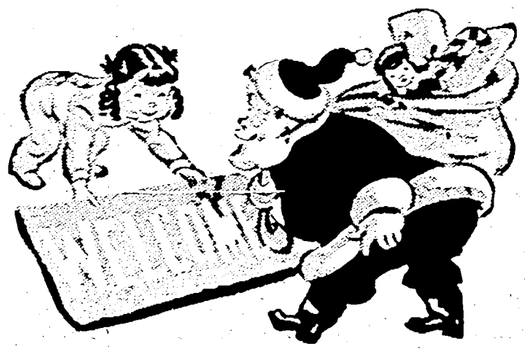

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Highway Secretary Backs Gas Tax Hike Suggested by Duff

HARRISBURG, Dec. 21 (AP) State Highways Secretary Ray F. Smock said tonight the public will make "a wise and sound decision" on a proposal to boost the State's gasoline tax from four to six cents a gallon.

"The Highway department can maintain and build roads to an extent that is limited by funds available," he said in a radio address. "Present funds will not permit operations at current levels."

Smock made his prediction as Republican lawmakers were saying privately that the proposed tax boost, already backed by Gov. James H. Duff, is headed for stormy weather in the 1949 legislature.

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"THERE IS AS MUCH chance not that there won't be an increase as there is that there will be," commented a GOP legislator, who declined quotation by name. "There is dynamite in the governor's proposal."

He added that legislators as asking for a "blueprint" of how the $37,500,000 a year from the boost would be used.

Smock, in his talk, said the administration is pledged to a "balanced highway program of maintenance and construction" that includes reconstruction and modernization of primary highways, elimination of traffic bottlenecks in metropolitan areas and construction of the remaining earth highways "to provide adequate farm-to-market roads.

"This equitable, well balanced highway policy for Pennsylvania has been rigidly adhered to during the first half of Governor Duff's administration," Smock said.

He recounted that the highway construction totaled $57,669,000 in 1946, another $37,629,000 in 1947 and $115,000,000 this year.

Asking whether we shall stand still or press forward, Smock said Federal and State gasoline taxes and license fees cost about one-half cent a mile traveled.

Holds Talks

French Foreign Minister Robert Schuman (above) left Cannes, France, last night for Paris after talks with Italian Foreign Minister Carol Sforza. A report said only that they discussed "problems of the hour" and that they had found "a perfect identity of views."

Miner Killed When Train Strikes Car at Crossing

MAHANOY CITY, Dec. 21 (AP) — A 40-year-old miner at the Park colliery near Mahanoy City was killed today when a coal train struck his car at a grade crossing on the Lehigh Valley railroad.

The victim was Lucash Wasdovich of Oneida, a small community near Hazleton. He was alone in his sedan when it was struck by a locomotive hauling 16 empty gondolas. The car was dragged nearly 400 feet.

Most active U. S. centers for lightning are Vicksburg, Miss., Tampa, Fla., and Santa Fe, N. M., which average from 60 to 90 thunderstorm days a year.

Left Warns of Retaliation Against Sanctions in Italy

ROME, Dec. 21 (AP) — Communists tonight threatened swift retaliation if Italy's government cracks down on strikers.

Communist labor boss Giuseppe Di Vittorio warned in the press that the leftists' "new protest" would be far tougher than yesterday's 24-hour strike of railwaymen and other state workers.

Di Vittorio heads the Communist-dominated General Labor Confederation (CGIL) which ordered yesterday's strike for higher wages. It cost the government an estimated billion lire ($1,750,000) in lost rail revenue and spoiled goods. The strike failed, however, to cripple seriously postal, telegraph and other public services.

The cabinet meets tomorrow. Informed sources said it may take "sanctions" against workers who obeyed the strike call and draft an emergency plan to "militarize" government communications workers in event of another walkout.

STEEL EXECUTIVE NAMED

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21 (AP) — Robert M. Arnold today was named a vice president of the Allegheny Ludlum Steel corporation. He is also a director of the steel firm and president of Arnold Engineering company, Chicago, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Allegheny Ludlum.

Peter Cooper, inventor of a number of varied items including a tiny locomotive, in 1845 obtained the first patent for a gelatin dessert—but did nothing about it.

Board Picks 'Paisan' As Best Film of Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 (AP) — The Italian film, "Paisan," was selected today by the National Board of Review as the best picture of 1948.

Roberto Rossellini, director of the picture, was named this year's best director.

"Day of Wrath," a Danish picture, was selected as the year's second best picture.

Olivia De Havilland and Walter Huston were named best actress and actor for performances in "The Snake Pit" and "Treasure of the Sierra Madre," respectively.

The board was described by its director Richard Griffiths as an organization of citizens which reviews all films in advance of their American release.

Selections are made on the "basis of artistic merit and importance," Griffiths said.

Others of the board's "ten best" follow: (3) "The Search;" (4) "Treasure of the Sierra Madre;" (5) "The Louisiana Story;" (6) "Hamlet;" (7) "The Snake Pit;" (8) "Johnny Belinda;" (9) "Joan of Arc;" (10) "Red Shoes."

New York and Michigan lead in the commercial production of raspberries in the United States.

REDELL SMITH FETED

MOSCOW, Dec. 21 (AP)—The staff of the American mission in Moscow held a farewell party tonight for U. S. Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith and his wife. The two were presented with gifts.

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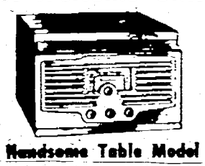

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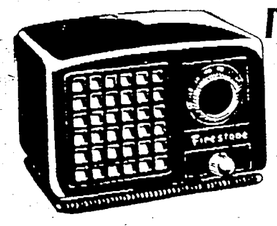

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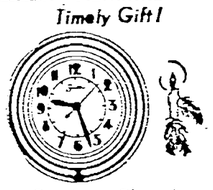

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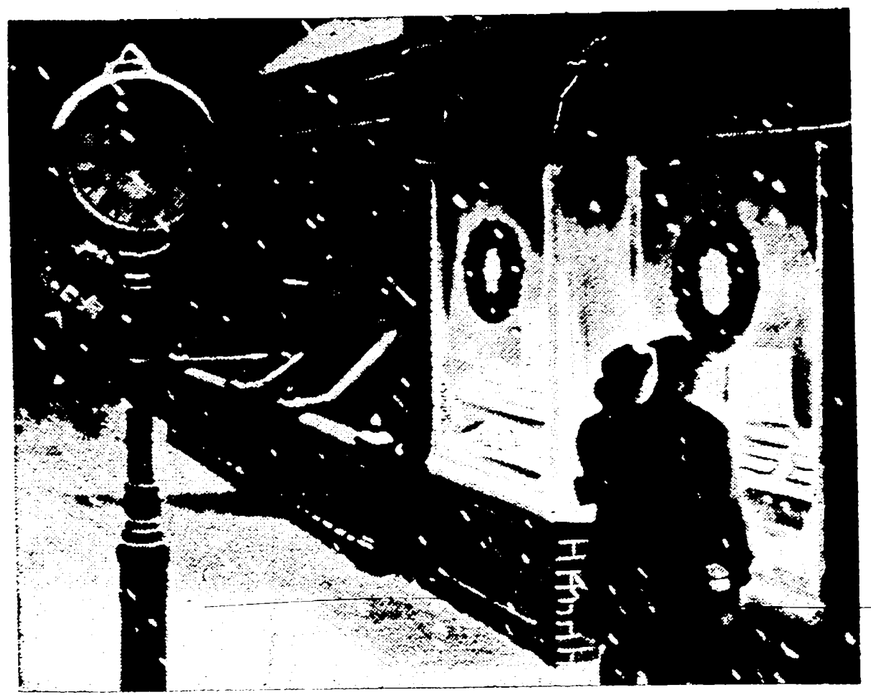

THROUGH three generations the name of STONE'S JEWELRY STORE, 210 High street, has been the by word in buying Christmas gifts. All these years of experience has taught us what to have when customers need help in their holiday buying. Should there be a last minute problem on your gift of remembrances, keep in mind that we qualify to help you. STONE'S stand behind every purchase—our reputation is your satisfaction ALWAYS!

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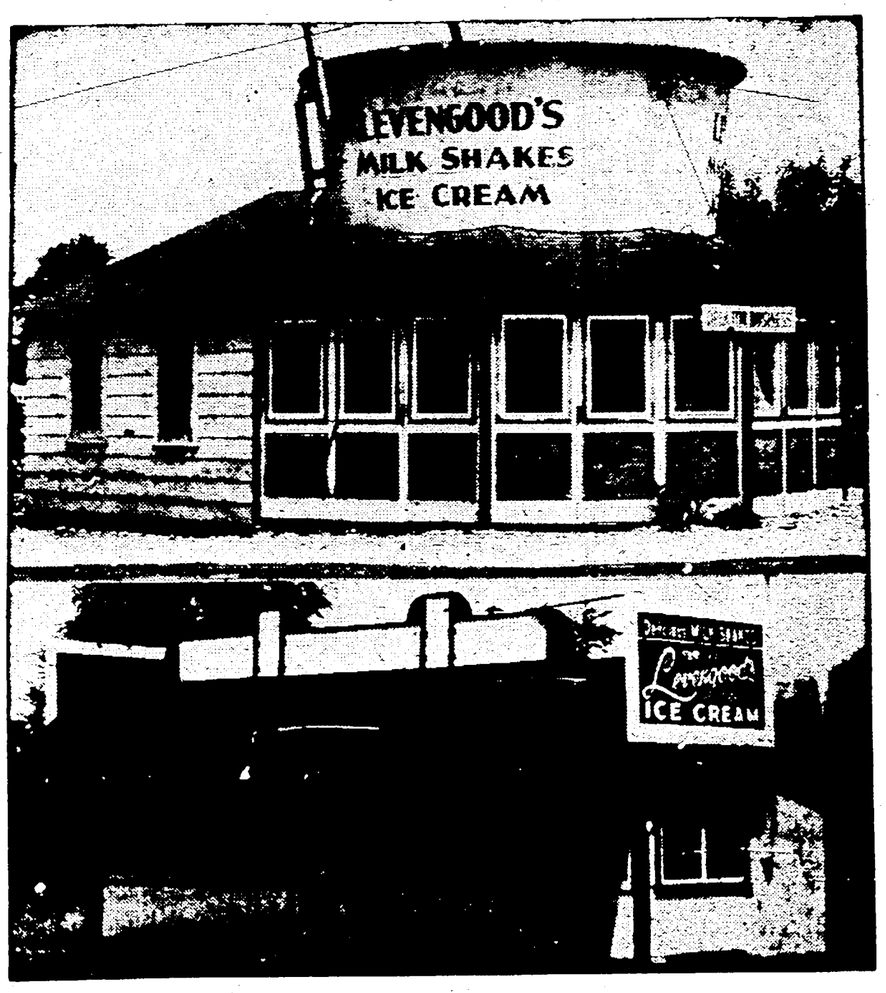
Thousands Enjoy Levengood's Ice Cream



QUALITY of merchandise, coupled with convenience of locations, has resulted in a most remarkable volume of business for LEVENGOOD DAIRY FARMS ICE CREAM. Principal outlet for Levengood Ice Cream is the cup at Charlotte and Prospect streets. Delicious milk shakes, pretzels, potato chips, candy and all dairy products, rounds out a popular selection for the thousands who patronize the cup weekly. Other volume outlets for Levengood Ice Cream are located on West High street and at the dairy at Chestnut and Washington streets. Numerous retail dispensaries sell Levengood Ice Cream, including Marvin's Cup, at West street and Farmington avenue.

POTTSTOWN'S PICTORIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Christmas Gifts Abundant at Longacre's

MANY people of Pottstown and vicinity are taking their Christmas Gift problems to the modern, well stocked store of CHARLES LONGACRE, Jeweler, at 17 North Hanover street. Here they have the advantage of choosing from a varied and complete selection of watches, diamonds, silver, costume jewelry, etc. The Budget and Layaway Plans are proving extremely popular and already many items are being held for Yuletide presents. Remember, too, that any watch sold by LONGACRE'S is service guaranteed. LONGACRE is the official Reading Railroad watch inspector.

Huge Electric Appliance Display at Fegely's

PICTURED above is the modern store of J. FEGELY AND SON CO., at 34 High street. Visitors will immediately be impressed favorably by the effective display of electrical appliances, ranging from electric shavers, heaters, vacuum cleaners, etc., to the larger merchandise such as home freezers, refrigerators, ranges, cabinet radio and television sets. If you are looking for any item in the electrical appliance field you are almost certain to find the desired merchandise here. Your visit will be welcomed.

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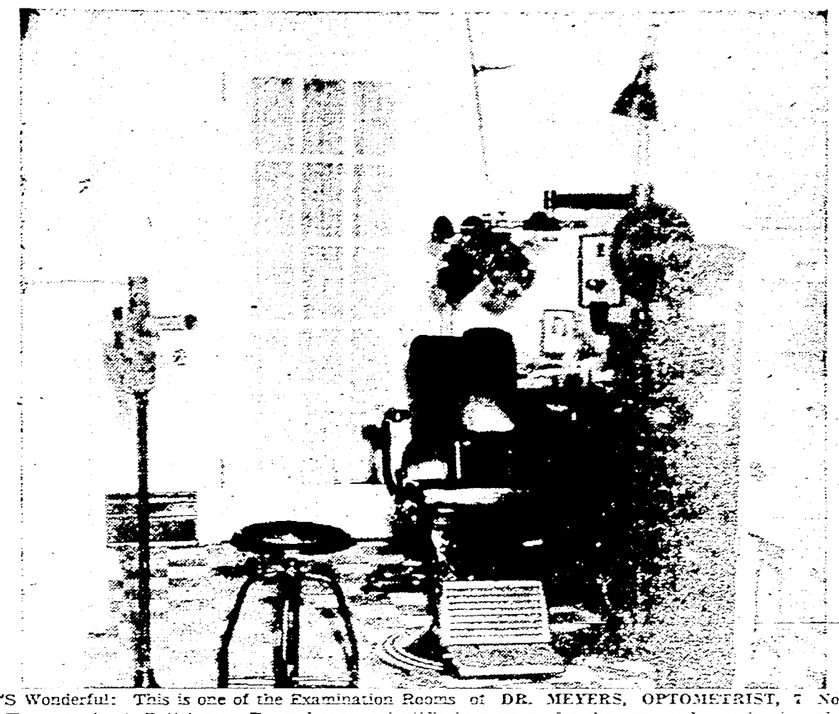
Modern Equipment Used in Office of Dr. F. F. Meyers



IT'S Wonderful: This is one of the Examination Rooms of DR. MEYERS, OPTOMETRIST, 7 North Hanover street, Pottstown. Every known scientific instrument for the care and examination of the eye is included in the equipment. DR. MEYERS, Optometrist, has been in Pottstown 29 years, devoting his entire time to eye care. He is widely known throughout Pennsylvania.

Huge Assortment of Christmas Cards at Canning's

CHRISTMAS Cards are on display at CANNING'S DRUG STORE, High and Washington streets, in large number. Pictured above is a portion of the display conveniently situated in this popular business center. You'll find it a definite pleasure to "shop" this section of CANNING'S. Besides Yuletide cards, there are others of practically all categories. Stop in today.

Christmas Shoppers Favor Prizer's

MANY people of the Pottstown area are solving their Christmas problems by visiting the store of RAYMOND E. PRIZER, located along Route 100, at Pughtown. There, they find a large and varied selection of the latest in electrical appliances, such as complete kitchens, radios, television sets, washers, vacuum cleaners, etc. There is ample parking space at PRIZER'S and shopping is done leisurely and satisfactorily. If you have not as yet inspected this modern store do so at your earliest convenience.

Zern's Auction Attracts Huge Crowds

THE arrival of Winter months has added thousands to the customers at ZERN'S MARKET AND AUCTION, which holds forth at GILBERTSVILLE, each Saturday. Even the afternoon hours are finding many shoppers who have learned of the immense savings to be had here. One of the chief attractions at this season of the year is the sale of cattle, particularly cows of the heavy milk-producing kind. Great care is taken in the selection of cattle for these sales. The huge amphitheatre used for cattle auctions seats upwards of 1000 people and it is usually full. Everything for the home and table can be found at ZERN'S MARKET.

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300 Parents Witness Christmas Program By Elementary Children at PTA Meeting

In place of the regular meeting of the North Coventry Parent Teacher association, a Christmas program was presented by children of the elementary grades of the school last night.

Highlighting the program was a play, "The Miser's Dream", a Christmas story carrying the theme, "You can't be happy yourself unless everyone else is happy with you".

Old Money-Bags fell asleep and dreamed that a fairy by the name of selfishness had quit being selfish and in her joy touched him, thus he felt inclined to bestow gifts on all who asked for them. In return he was to be granted his most fervent wish, to become a boy again.

Between acts the rhythm band was heard under direction of second grade student, Gayle Anderson.

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MORE THAN 300 enthusiastic parents attended to proclaim the program one of the finest they have heard in years.

The entire production was under the direction of Miss Verna M. Orts, supervisor of music, with the following teachers assisting, Mrs. Helen Jones, Mrs. Julia Bentz, Mrs. Irma Gordon, Mrs. Ann Knauer, Mrs. Madeline Lamore, Mrs. Kathryn Rothenberger.

Programs were designed by Mrs. Jennie C. Savignano, costumes were by Miss Joyce A. High while the stage effects were directed by Mrs. Flora Burbank and Mrs. John DeVincentis.

Characters in the story were Charles Forman, Dorothy Rosewarne, Jean Ann Kepner, Lorraine Jones, Betty Lou Moyer, Joan Lucas, Patricia Hipple, Larry McAfee, Bobby Cisik, Arthur Levengood, Daniel Wolf, Mary Ann Clemens, Barbara Moyer, Wilfred Still and Elaine Raifsnider.

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PARTICIPATING in the rhythm band, with Gale Anderson as conductor, were: Marvin Pierce, Mervin Pierce, Stephen Torak, Tommie Yocom, Judy Banks, Judith Ann Fecak, Patricia A. Kirby, Christine Rosborough, Fay Scheidt, Gladys Staverosky, Todd Ellis and Eddie Kulp.

Also John Loomis, Gregory Stanson, Bruce Wagner, Margaret Bertoti, Bonnie Christman, Barbara Jean Conver, Barbara Lord, Jerelyn Middlecamp, Caroline Moses, Lynda Smale, Donna Jean Yocom, John Banus, Bobby Bliven, Leon Christman, John Collins, Michael Hiriak, Billy Kocur, Gary Loughlin, Barton Moyer, Ronel Tascione and Larry Fox.

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GNOMES WERE Virginia Camaho, Joan Henry, Hazel Bitler, Kay Hipple, Elsie Mae Houck, Jacqueline Blevin, Benjamin Wade, and Betty Lou Nimmerichter.

Elves were Barbara Miller, Helen George, Shirley Landis, Irene Yergey, Louise Rutter, Darlene Fredericks.

Carolers were: Elizabeth Day, Carol Hoffecker, Mary Ruth Hahn, Horace Smith, Barbara Goss, Phyllis Deibler, Carol Mary Bitler, David Miller, Ralph Hohl, Frederick Harley, Joanne Rock, David Knauer, Kenneth Bealer, Barbara Rothenberger, Barbara Buckwalter, Kathleen Collins, John Horosky, Clifford Carty, Fay Arion and Deanna Batdorf.

CHOIR PARTY SCHEDULED

The junior, descant and boys choirs of Emmanuel Lutheran church will hold a rehearsal this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the church. Rehearsal will be followed by a Christmas party, for all of the youth choirs of the church, at 3:30 o'clock.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

NEW MONETARY developments should make for a sense of security, and more and different benefits come to you at this time. It's a good shopping time, too. Some good fortune probably follows you through your next year. Moderate fortunes are likely to be the lot of the child born on this date.

Today

Harry Shinehouse, 528 Chestnut street, aged 85 years.

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Mrs. John Hane, 345 Chestnut street.

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Henry M. Fessler, 340 Jefferson avenue, aged 76 years.

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Donald Shean, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Shean, 143 Beech street.

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Betty Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Johnson, 1361 Queen street.

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Robert Neiffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Neiffer, 666 Walnut street.

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Robert McElroy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus McElroy, 350 Lincoln avenue.

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William C. Albright, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. William Albright, 943 Queen street.

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Patricia Ann Heath, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Heath, 53 Edgewood street.

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Ruth Borneman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Borneman, Royersford RD 1.

Business Girls of YWCA Are Visited by St. Nick

Santa Claus paid a visit to members of the Business Girls of the Young Women's Christian association at a Christmas party Monday night in the YWCA club room.

The members enjoyed unwrapping their gifts, singing Christmas carols under the direction of Mrs. Irene Houser, pianist; and accordian music played by Miss Janice Biegle.

The room was decorated in the traditional Christmas colors. Refreshments were served later in the evening.

At the short business meeting, which preceded the meeting, it was decided to donate baskets for needy families in the local area. Mrs. Laura Buchert, president, was in charge.

Several thank-you notes were read, and it was announced that a white elephant sale will be held at the next meeting, Jan. 3.

Members of the social and music committees who arranged the affair were: Mrs. Dorothy Dodson, Mrs. Betty Berkheimer, Mrs. Grace Rader, Mrs. Lucille Hutt, Mrs. Lillian Skiles, Mrs. Houser, Mrs. Mildred Myers, Mrs. Velma Ullom and Mrs. Betty Trinley.

Also, Mrs. Houser, Mrs. Sara Brockway, Mrs. Martha Fink, Mrs. Ruth Rank, Mrs. Lillian Savage, Miss Ann Barna and Miss Nettie Barna.

It is a good idea to wash broccoli in warm salted water, changing the water four or five times, so that any insects in the heads will be removed.

Woman's Page

CLUB NEWS WEDDINGS

Committee Members Make Gala Decorations

—Mercury Staff Photo

Committee members of the Junior Service league are working nightly on the gala decorations for the Green and Silver ball Monday night in the Brookside Country club. Silvering sprigs of trees are Mrs. John Wanger, committee chairman; Mrs. Herbert Houck and Mrs. Lawrence Flam. All proceeds from the dance will be distributed to the various charities the league supports.

PERSONALS

Miss Marian M. Conrad, 114 North Evans street, manager of the local Howard Johnson restaurant, returned early yesterday morning from Boston, Mass., where she attended the annual Chrisimas party given by Howard Johnson for managers and employes of his extensive chain of restaurants. Miss Conrad flew to Boston by plane, but returned via train because of bad flying weather.

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Lt. and Mrs. Ralph H. Hamilton Jr., are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter recently in St. Benedict hospital, Ogden, Utah. She will be named Wendy Louise. Lt. Hamilton is in the Marine corps and stationed at Ogden. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Searles Boone, "Stepping Stones," Douglassville.

A tablespoon of melted butter or margarine mixed with two tablespoons of orange juice may be blended with confectioners' sugar for frosting cupcakes. Sprinkle with finely chopped toasted almonds, if desired.

Dr. W. D. Phillips Weds In Norristown Ceremony

Dr. Warren D. Phillips, 340 High street, and Mrs. Harriet Eugenia Hunerford, until recently of Spring City, were united in marriage Sunday at the home of Mrs. Hunerford's sister, Mrs. Harold N. Arkless of Norristown.

Officiating at the quiet ceremony was the Rev. Addison B. Collins, of Haddon Heights, N. J., an uncle of the bride.

The bride chose a costume of light blue with black accessories and a corsage of white orchids.

A wedding reception and dinner followed at the Valley Forge hotel. Dr. and Mrs. Phillips are planning to leave after the first of the year to spend the Winter in Florida.

Marriage Licenses

Application for a marriage license was made at the Montgomery county courthouse, Norristown, by:

Henry R. Bernd Jr., Pottstown RD 3, and Marian E. Wadsworth, Obelisk.

Application for marriage licenses in Elkton, Md., were made by:

John J. Hartman Sr. and Kathryn L. Fies, Royersford.

Clyde J. Harner, Downingtown, and Margaret E. Smith, Elverson.

Girl Scout Troop 8 Entertains Parents At Christmas Party

About 50 parents and friends attended the Christmas party staged last night by Girl Scout Troop 8 in the parish house of Christ Episcopal church.

A play, "Pop Reads the Christmas Carol," was presented by the following troop members:

Barbara Capoferri, Nancy Rightnour, Patty High, Charlene Schisler, Mary Jane Lieberman, Nancy Chernesky and Margaret Jenkins. The director and announcer was Rita Bechtel.

Second class badges were awarded to Rita Bechtel, Nancy Chernesky, Patty High, Alice Hane, Alice Takach, Nancy Rightnour and Mary Ann Amole.

Gold stars for a year's perfect attendance went to Rita Bechtel, Nancy Chernesky, Patty High, Alice Hane, Alice Takach and Nancy Rightnour. Barbara Capoferri was invested as a Girl Scout.

Refreshments were served by the girls at a later hour. Those who helped to serve and who made the favors were:

Alice Hane, Teddy Govatos, Alice Takach, Patty Capoferri and Patsy Espenship. Assisting the girls with the program and refreshments were Mrs. George Govatos, Mrs. James Bechtel and Mrs. Frank Anderson.

Miss Charlotte Anderson was the leader.

HOSPITALS

POTTSTOWN

Admitted: Mrs. Edith Erb, Bechtelsville RD, maternity; Joan Dillman, 1251 Maple street, surgical; Lillie Schaeffer, Boyertown, medical; Mrs. Doris Ann Laytham, Boyertown, maternity; Alvin D. Kauffman, Merchants hotel, medical; Mary E. Wensel, Spring City, medical; Francis Keim, Linfield, surgical.

Discharged: Mrs. Dorothy Beck, Boyertown RD 2, maternity; Edward Vigneault, 247 Lee avenue, medical.

MEMORIAL

Admitted: Ruth Fitzcharles, Pottstown RD 4, medical; Mary Ann Canceliere, Stowe, medical; Edward Eschbach, 765 Walnut street, surgical; Mrs. Mary Chieffo, Stowe, surgical; Mrs. Gladys Harp, 856 North Washington street, maternity.

Discharged: Jean Hannan, Norristown, surgical.

Dr. Gustave Weber Relates Experiences In German Living

Working and living conditions in Germany were vividly described last night to Woman's club members at their meeting in Library hall by Dr. Gustave W. Weber, director of religious studies at The Hill.

Dr. Weber gathered the information first hand on a trip to Germany the past Summer as leader for a group of 21 boys who paid their way to Germany to help rebuild the destruction caused by the war.

More than accomplishing actual labor, the group hoped to teach Germans the fundamentals of democracy by living the creed they believed in.

The project for the group was the rebuilding of a girls' dormitory of the University of Munich, with the boys first tearing down the walls and cleaning the brick. Because of lack of steel, they found they had to make their own cement girders for foundations.

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DURING THE five weeks spent in the country, the group lived with the citizens of the town, eating from the same amount of rations given the natives and not augmenting it with food from home. Dr. Weber stated he lost 18 pounds under the food given him.

Townsfolk found it hard to understand that some of the boys that were working on the project had actually fought in the battle of the bulge and after helping destroy the country, returned to rebuild it. Several of the boys, along with Dr. Weber, have signed to return again next year.

Following the address, the annual Christmas party was enjoyed amid festive decorations placed by Mrs. Kenneth Z. Fillman. An improvised fire place had been erected with greens at each of the windows. Cane and greens, offset by Christmas candles, were profusely used.

Miss Evelyn Shelley was leader of the program, while Miss Florence A. Erb presided at the business meeting, closing by reading the "New Year's Prayer," by St. Francis of Assissi.

Betrothed

The betrothal of Miss Rita Bartholomew (above) was announced last night by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard W. Bartholomew, Saylor court and Rohland avenue, to Mr. James Renwick McClusken Jr., Maple Gardens. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McClusken of St. Louis, Mo.

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Bartholomews Announce Engagement of Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Howard W. Bartholomew, Saylor court and Rohland avenue, last night announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Rita, to Mr. James Renwick McClusken Jr., Maple Gardens, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McClusken, of St. Louis, Mo.

Miss Bartholomew attended Mary Baldwin college, Staunton, Va., and is a graduate of Ursinus college and the Kathryn Gibbs school, New York City. Mr. McClusken is a graduate of Washington university, St. Louis, and served for three years in the Army.

He is a chemical engineer with the Firestone Tire and Rubber company.

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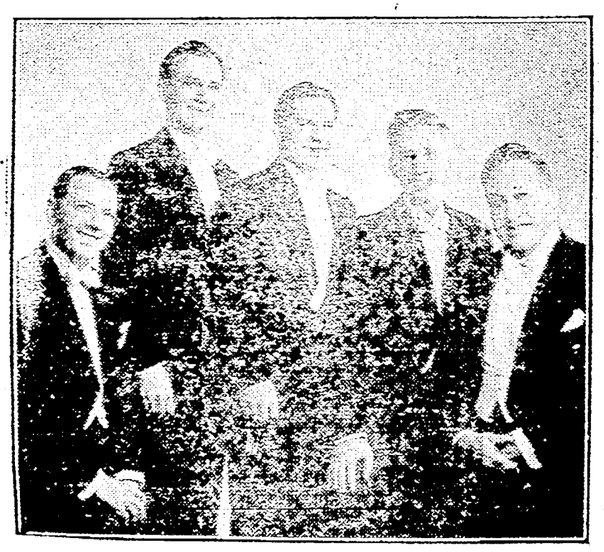

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Committee Reports Heard by Auxiliary In Legion Post Home

Members of the George Amole American Legion auxiliary heard a multitude of reports on accomplishments of committees at their Christmas meeting last night in the Post home.

Mrs. Horace Seidel, chairman of the needlework committee, reported that 73 garments had been completed by 21 members and turned over to the Needlework Guild.

From the rehabilitation committee, Mrs George Herost, chairman, it was learned that 100 stamped cards had been given to patients at the Valley Forge General hospital and 378 to patients at the Coatesville hospital.

She reported that afghans would again be made for the Valley Forge hospital with the Legion furnishing yarn for those who wish to knit squares. Plans were made for the group to make bed pan covers, so badly needed at the hospital. They set a goal of 100 but expect to make more than 300.

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MRS. EARL FEIGHT, hospital chairman, reported that a coil and truck had been given to children hospitalized in the children's ward of the hospital. The membership chairman, Mrs. Earl Stort, stated that the membership roll of the auxiliary has now reached 406.

Chairman of the sick committee, Elizabeth Ebly, stated that seven plants, five gifts and two cards had been distributed. The group made plans to pack several Christmas baskets for several needy families in the borough.

The organization voted to contribute $25 to the Bi-County council for photographic equipment at the hospital.

Mrs Horace Seidel was appointed as representative from the auxiliary to help with the procuring of homes for housing for the State high school music contest next April.

A card party was scheduled for Monday, Feb 28, in the post home.

Mrs Benjamin Monbray entertained with several Christmas songs, accompanied at the piano by Mrs Charles Buckley. Later, Santa Claus appeared to assist with the gift exchange. A buffet luncheon was served. The group will meet on Jan. 17.

Social Calendar

Lady Reindeers — Meeting and Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock in the IO of A hall.

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Lady Ittenmyer lodge—Meeting and Christmas party tonight at 8 o'clock in the Odd Fellows hall.

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Century club—Christmas party for the children this afternoon at 2:15 o'clock in Library hall.

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Auxiliary of the Pottstown hospital—Annual Christmas tea this afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock in the Nurse's home.

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Maria Assunta lodge — Christmas party for the children this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the lodge hall.

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Central Parent-Teacher association—Christmas party for the children this afternoon in Washington school.

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Kenilworth Parent-Teacher association—Christmas party this afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Tea Scheduled Today By Hospital Auxiliary

This afternoon from 3 until 5 o'clock, members of the Auxiliary of Pottstown hospital will entertain the doctors, nurses, students and personnel of the hospital at the annual Christmas tea.

Santa Claus will attend to bringing presents to all the guests. Co-chairmen of the tea are Mrs Maurice Mosheim and Mrs. Russell R. Tyson.

Chairmen of the Christmas cheer for the hospital committee are Mrs. Roy Hoel and Mrs David Detar. Arrangements for musical programs at the hospital for the Holiday season are under the direction of Mrs. John Longaker.

Christmas decorations went up yesterday in the hospital by the auxiliary, assisted by the Junior auxiliary.

Trees were placed in all the corridors, wards and a large tree in the Christmas ward. Small paper stockings filled with greens were placed at each of the windows.

Miss Eleanor Bentz was in charge of decorations for the Junior auxiliary. From the other auxiliary, the following aided: Mrs. Earl Keiser, Mrs Murray Gulach, Mrs Henry D. Reed, Mrs Furman Binder, Mrs J Elmer Seavers, Mrs. Russell Shively, Mrs Karl Schumacher and Mrs. Harold Cacmus.

MORE SOCIAL NEWS ON PAGE TWENTY-FOUR

Future Bride

The engagement of Miss Phyllis Anne Pickard to Mr. Bernard R Hensley, Sioux City, Ia., was announced by her parents Monday night at their home, Prospect and Spruce streets. Mr. Hensley is a son of Mr. Gerald Hensley of Omaha, Neb

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Harp, 856 North Washington street, announce the birth of a son yesterday in Memorial hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Erb, Bechtelsville RD, became the parents of a son yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

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A son was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. William Layham, Boyertown, in Pottstown hospital.

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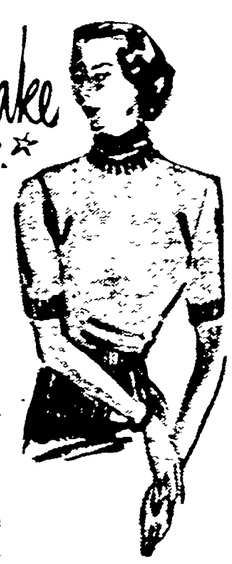

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Ladies Auxiliary Donates Gifts At First Annual Party

Cash donations and gifts of food for needy families were brought to the first annual Christmas party of the Ladies auxiliary of the Upper Pottsgrove fire company Monday night in the schoolhouse.

The donations will be used to fill up Christmas baskets.

Highlighting the party was the presentation of an orchid to Mrs. Elvira Meeker, 72 years old, because she is the oldest member of the auxiliary.

A choral group, composed of auxiliary members, presented a musical program. They were accompanied by Mrs. Bernadine Schroyer, pianist. Mrs. Schroyer also played the following solos: "White Christmas," "Here Comes Santa Claus," "All Around the Christmas Tree," and "Santa Claus is Coming to Town."

Mrs. Ruth Spaide entertained the women with a vocal solo, "Oh, Holy Night." She was accompanied by Mrs. Schroyer.

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SINGERS IN the chorus were Mrs. Elizabeth Mercer, Mrs. Kay Kelly, Mrs. Ruth Spaide, Miss Ruth Kummerer, Mrs. Mae Henry, Mrs. Ruth Meeker and Mrs. Lucy Tapper.

Gifts were presented to everyone present by Santa Claus, who collected the exchange gifts at the door.

Refreshments were served by the program committee, Mrs. Charlotte Prout, chairman. Her aides were: Miss Girlie Hasselhan, Mrs. Kathryn Klein, and Mrs. Eva Fizz.

A short business meeting was held prior to the party, with Mrs. Harold Rhoads, president, presiding.

The following were appointed to the by-laws committee by the president: Mrs. Nora St. Onge, Mrs. Lucy Tapper, Mrs. Elizabeth Mercer, Mrs. Warren Wink and Mrs. Kay Kelly. New members of the ways and means committee are: Mrs. Nan Heevner, Mrs. Emma Strawn, Mrs. Bessie Spangenberg and Mrs. Sara Biehl.

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IT WAS decided to help needy families of the community by collecting furniture and clothing.

Among those attending were:

Mrs. Hanna Hartshaw, Mrs. Henrietta Nester, Mrs. Nan Heevner, Mrs. Helen John, Mrs. Helen Von Hohen, Mrs. Sara Garner, Mrs. Ruth Fulmer, Mrs. Kay Kelly, Mrs. Lucy Tapper, Miss Ruth Kummerer, Mrs. Anna Smola, Mrs. Jay Meeker, Mrs. Ruth Meeker, Mrs. Laura Dice, Mrs. Kathryn Fritz, Mrs. Mary Neiman and Mrs. Mazie Kinzinger.

Also, Mrs. Mary Firing, Mrs. Juanita Stroop, Mrs. Ann Yerger, Mrs. Ruth Spaide, Mrs. Alice Nester, Mrs. Mae Henry, Mrs. Sue Hartenstine, Mrs. Kathryn Newhard, Mrs. Evelyn Rhoads, Mrs. Phyllis Yerger, Mrs. Elva Wilhelm, Mrs. Kathryn Keim, Mrs. Nora St. Onge, Mrs. Virginia Hughes, Mrs. Mary Wanner and Mrs. Gloria Overholtzer.

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Lady Reindeers To Elect Officers

Election of officers will be held tonight by the Lady Reindeers in the IO of A hall. Mrs. Edith Flannigan, president will be in charge.

Following the meeting, a Christmas party will be held with exchange of gifts and refreshments served. The degree team will meet at 7:30 o'clock for practice.

Surprise Stork Shower Honors Mrs. Harry Fizz

Mrs. Harry Fizz Jr., Penn Village, was recently feted at a surprise stork shower by a number of friends in the home of Mrs. Joseph Motko, 38 Scott street, Penn Village.

The presents were placed in a bassinet which was decorated with pink streamers falling from a chandelier. A buffet luncheon was served to the following:

Mrs. Grace Aranos, Mrs. Ina Mae Lunn, Mrs. Dorothy Mesner, Mrs. Monica Herb, Mrs. Anne Lapish, Mrs. Dorothy Smith, Mrs. Bettina Smith, Mrs. Elmo Curry, Mrs. Rita Knicky, Mrs. Grace Masleh, Mrs. Grace Passante, Mrs. Peggy Hudock and Miss Jane Haffer.

Former Class Members Entertained at Party

Members of the Mary Duhammel circle, a group of women who attended Sunday school as children together, gathered yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Paul Witman, Shepherd's Hurst, Douglassville, for a Christmas party.

Mrs. Witman had been their teacher at the time the group were in Sunday school and always through the years has managed parties and get-togethers for them.

Guests at the party were the children of the members with 10 tiny tots ranging from ten months to four years old. The children sang Christmas songs with Carl Herbine presenting several recitations and solos.

Later Santa Claus made his appearance with gifts for the kiddies. Tea and cookies were served by the hostess.

Members attending were Mrs. Adda Martin, Mrs. Mary Herbine, Mrs. Naomi Eckenrode, Mrs. Gladys Reidenour and Mrs. Mildred Cook.

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Ellis-Leatherman Rites Performed in Perkasie

Miss Esther Leatherman became the bride of Mr. Stanley Ellis recently in a simple ceremony performed by the Rev. Luther Schlenker, pastor of St. Andrews Lutheran church, Perkasie.

Miss Leatherman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Leatherman, Perkasie, and Mr. Ellis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Ellis, 669 Queen street.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attired in a blue dress of moire and carried white rosebuds on a prayer book.

Her attendant was a sister, Mrs. Earl Ellis, who wore a fuchsia street length dress of moire and carried yellow roses. Mr. Earl Ellis, a brother of the bridegroom, was the best man, while ushers were Mr. Robert Leatherman and Mr. LaVerne Ellis, brothers of the bride and bridegroom, respectively.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the South Perkasie Lodge hall for 90 guests. The couple left for a honeymoon trip in New York City following the reception.

Mr. Ellis is employed by Stanley G. Flagg and company, Stowe.

Guild Women Create Hats of Crepe Paper

The making of chepe paper hats was the cause of much merriment at the Christmas meeting of the Woman's Guild of St. John's Evangelical and Reformed church Monday night in the social rooms of the church.

Prior to the party, an installation service of all recently-appointed committee heads and aides was conducted by the Rev. Paul Schierer. Mrs. Daniel Reifsnyder read the story of "The Christmas Candle."

Leader of devotionals was Miss Minnie McAfee, while Mrs. Henry Herbine read the scriptures. Hostesses at the party were Mrs. Vinnie Feather, Mrs. Earl Hunsicker and Mrs. Carl Pickar.

Decorating for the Annual Christmas Party

—Mercury Staff Photo

Christmas decorations and decorators are in evidence all over Pottstown. Here (left to right) Mrs. Esther Hendricks, Mrs. Mayberry Rhoads and Mrs. Esther Imping prepare the decorations for the Annual Doe club Christmas party held in the Elks' home the past Sunday night.

Ernest R. Hess Takes Florence Moyer as Bride

Miss Florence Moyer and Mr. Ernest R. Hess were recently united in marriage by the Rev. Luther Lee Lengel, in the Hill-Lobach parsonage, Manatawny.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Meitzler, Clayton, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hess, Barto.

A blue street length dress, with black accessories and a corsage of white camelias and pink roses formed the bridal attire.

Miss Mabel Moyer, as sister of the bride, acted as maid of honor in a brown two-piece dress with brown accessories. She wore a corsage of red roses.

Mr. Curtis Hess, brother of the bridegroom, was the best man.

The newlyweds are residing at the home of the bridegroom's parents.

A delicious dish for Sunday night supper is made by combining canned crabmeat with a cream sauce flavored with a little dry mustard. Sprinkle with shredded yellow cheese and a dusting of paprika and brown lightly under the broiler.

International Fur Fair Is Opposed by Swiss

BASEL, Switzerland, Dec 21, (AP)—The International Fur and Leather fair, scheduled here for next March 30 to April 6, may not be held.

The Association of the Swiss Fur Industry, one of the principal supporters of the traditional fair, has decided to boycott it. The Association of Swiss Manufacturers of Travel Articles and Leather Goods has passed a similar resolution.

The fur industry association based its action on the contention that the fair gives foreign exhibitors an outlet for their products in return for Switzerland's hard currency. On the other hand, said the association, Swiss exporters face a soft-money market.

Holiday Party Is Slated By New Hanover Grange

A covered dish dinner and a program presented by the young people of New Hanover's Community grange will comprise the annual Christmas party of the grange tonight.

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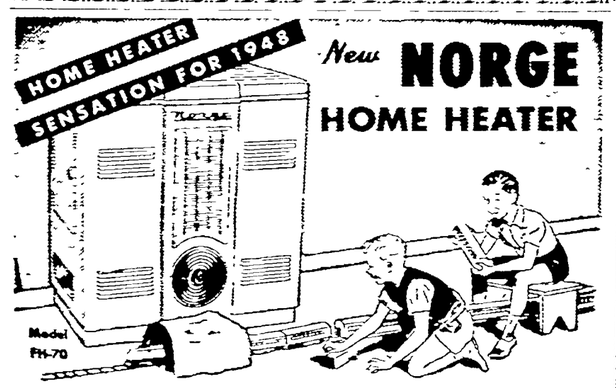

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The Christmas Song
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Les Brown (Co 37174)

White Christmas
All The World Is Mine
Harry James (Co 37955)

Silent Night, Holy Night
Adeste Fideles
Fred Feibel, Organ Solo (Co 35770)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing It Came Upon The Midnight Clear
Joy to The World! Silent Night, Holy Night
Chimes (Co 35805)

Adeste Fideles
Silent Night, Holy Night
Frank Sinatra (Co 37145)

Jingle Bells
White Christmas
Frank Sinatra (Co 37152)

Good King Wenceslas
The First Noel
Nelson Eddy (Co 4296)

Silent Night, Holy Night
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Silent Night, Holy Night
The Madrigal Singers (Co 322-M)

The Christmas Song
Begin The Beguine
Tony Martin (Vi 20-2415)

White Christmas
Silent Night
Carmen Cavallaro (De 24141)

White Christmas
Always
Ink Spots (De 24140)

The Holy City (2 Parts)
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'Twas The Night Before Christmas
Fred Waring (De 23642)

Winter Wonderland
Santa Claus Is Coming to Town
Cosmo Tern, Organ & Chimes (R 124)

Winter Wonderland
Jingle Bells
Johnny Long (Sig 15150)

The First Noel
Silent Night
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The Night Before Christmas
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Time Out For Tears
Anne Shelton (L 239)

I Love You So Much It Hurts
Maria Mia
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Gracie Fields (L 362)

My Darling, My Darling
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Peter Lind Hayes (De 24519)

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Beans	Boston or Vegetarian Style or with Pork and Sauce	2 16-oz. cans 21c
Beans	Boston or Vegetarian Style or with Pork and Sauce	2 22-oz. cans 29c

LIBBY'S, DEL MONTE OR A&P FANCY

Peaches

29-oz. can 29c

Sliced or Halved

A&P Cherries	Royal Anne	20-oz. can 37c
Pitted Cherries	Red Sour	20-oz. can 25c
Prune Plums	Del Monte De Luxe	29-oz. jar 27c
Asparagus Spears	Tip Top	19-oz. can 29c
A&P Sauerkraut		2 27-oz. cans 23c
Asparagus Soup	Ritter's	12 10½-oz. cans 39c
Van Camp's Beans		2 20-oz. cans 29c
A&P Spinach		2 18-oz. cans 29c
A&P Pumpkin	Fancy Grade A	29-oz. can 10c
G. L. F. Beans	With Pork and Tomato Sauce	6 1-lb. cans 45c
Apple Juice	Red Cheek	2 quart bottles 39c
A&P Tomatoes	Fancy Grade A	16-oz. can 22c
A&P Corn	Fancy Grade A Golden Cream	2 20-oz. cans 33c
A&P Sweet Peas	Fancy Grade A	20-oz. can 25c

FLORIDA SUGAR ADDED OR UNSWEETENED

Fruit Juices

2 46-oz. cans 37c · 3 18-oz. cans 25c

Your Choice: Orange, Blended or Grapefruit

Fruit Cocktail	Libby's	17-oz. can 26c
Fruit Cocktail	Sultana	29-oz. can 39c
A&P Fruit Salad		29-oz. can 48c
Fruits For Salad	Del Monte	29-oz. can 49c
Iona Peaches	Yellow Cling Halves	29-oz. can 27c
A&P Apricots	Halves Unpeeled	29-oz. can 31c
A&P Apple Sauce		2 20-oz. cans 25c
Del Monte Pears	Bartlett Halves	29-oz. can 43c
Crushed Pineapple	Dole Fancy	2 9-oz. cans 31c
Sliced Pineapple	Summer Isle	30-oz. can 31c
Pure Grape Juice	A&P	pint bottle 16c
A&P Prune Plums		2 30-oz. cans 43c
Ritter's Blueberries		15-oz. can 31c
Del Monte Boysenberries		17-oz. jar 31c

FLAVORFUL MINT

Cranberry Sauce

2 12¾-oz. cans 27c

PAPPAS BRAND 2 16-oz. cans 27c

Cranberry Sauce	Ocean Spray	2 16-oz. cans 35c
Tasker Mince Meat		28-oz. jar 37c
Keystone Mince Meat		28-oz. jar 55c
Borden's Mince Meat	None Such	28-oz. jar 39c
R&R Plum Pudding		1-lb. can 39c
Plum Pudding	Atmore's Sliced	1-lb. can 43c
Heinz Fig Pudding		15-oz. can 47c
B&B Mushrooms	In Butter	3-oz. can 30c
Tomato Soup	Campbell's	3 10½-oz. cans 32c
V-8 Vegetable Cocktail		46-oz. can 33c
Iona Tomatoes	or Packer's Label	2 13-oz. cans 25c
Iona Sweet Peas		2 20-oz. cans 21c

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M & M's CANDY COATED CHOCOLATE 7-oz. bag 25c

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ON THE AIR WEDNESDAY

MORNING

Hour	KYW NBC 1060 K	WCAU CBS 1210 K	WFIL ABC 560 K	WIP MBS 610 K
6:00	Morning Salute: News	Jamboree	Farmer Jones	Dawn Patrol
:15	Morning Salute	Rural Digest, Amos Kirby	" "	News, Music
:30	" "	" "	" "	Dawn Patrol
:45	" "	" "	" "	News
7:00	Musical Clock	News; Weather	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
:15	News; Music	Bugle Call; Music	" "	Comedy
:30	Musical Clock	J. Raleigh News	News; Weather	News; Mac McGuire
:45	" "	" "	LeRoy Miller	" "
8:00	Musical Clock	Bugle Call; Music	Musical Clock	Mac McGuire
:15	" "	" "	" "	News
:30	" "	" "	" "	Mac McGuire
:45	" "	" "	Morning Extra	" "
9:00	Ruth Welles	Cinderella Weekend	Breakfast Club	News
:15	" "	Hollywood Stars	" "	Chatter Bar
:30	Public Schools	" "	" "	" "
:45	Art Hinett	" "	" "	Lest We Forget
10:00	Fred Waring	Let's Have Fun	My True Story	Keys to Happiness
:15	" "	Asco Rings	True Story	News
:30	Road of Life	Arthur Godfrey	Betty Crocker	Music Box
:45	Brighter Day	" "	Show Time	Phila. Favorites
11:00	Nora Drake	Arthur Godfrey	Kay Kyser College	Kitchen Kapers
:15	Love and Learn	Creigh'n Stewart	Ted Malone	Tony Ruffner
:30	Jack Berch	Rosemary	What Makes You	Gabriel Heatter
:45	Lora Lawton			Victor Lindlahr

AFTERNOON

Hour	KYW NBC 1060 K	WCAU CBS 1210 K	WFIL ABC 560 K	WIP MBS 610 K
12:00	Gabe Millerand Luncheteers	W. Warren; News	Welcome Travelers	Kate Smith
:15	" "	Aunt Jenny	Bing Crosby	" "
:30	News	Helen Trent	Sleepy Hollow	News
:45	" "	Our Gal Sunday	" "	Harmony Rang'n
1:00	Melody Magic	Big Sister	Anything Goes	Tex Beneke
:15	" "	Ma Perkins	Music	Passing Parade
:30	Ruth Welles	Dr. Malone	Anice Ives; News	Melody Gems
:45	Music; News	Guiding Light	Farm Reports	Do Re Mi
2:00	Double or Nothing	and Mrs. Burton	Norman Black	Queen For a Day
:15	Today's Children	Perry Mason	Magic of Books	" "
:30	Light of World	Nora Drake	Bride & Groom	Golden Hope
:45	" "	What Makes You	" "	Chest
3:00	Life Beautiful	David Harum	Ladies Be Seated	Try For Fun
:15	Ma Perkins	Hilltop House	Galen Drake	" "
:30	Pepper Young	House Party	Xmas Party	The Happy Gang
:45	Rt. to Happiness	" "	" "	" "
4:00	Backstage Wife	Hint Hunt; Band	Here's Howard	Melody Matinee
:15	Stella Dallas	C. Stewart	" "	" "
:30	Lorenzo Jones	Story of the Day	" "	Santa Claus
:45	Widder Brown	" "	" "	Memory Lane
5:00	Girl Marries	Your Lucky Strike	Challenge of the Yukon	Adv'ture Parade
:15	Portia Blake	Spotlight Show	Sky King	Superman
:30	Just Plain Bill	Herb Shriner	" "	Capt. Midnight
:45	David Farrell	" "	" "	Tom Mix

EVENING

Hour	KYW NBC 1060 K	WCAU CBS 1210 K	WFIL ABC 560 K	WIP MBS 610 K
6:00	News; Talk	Fred Manes	Magic Lady	Uncle Wip
:15	H. Robert Sport.	Sports; Weather	Bing Crosby	Johnson Family
:30	As You Like It	Mike Mysteries	John Kennedy	Sports; News
:45	Three Star Extra	Lowell Thomas	Moorehead	Ray Bloch
7:00	Supper Club	Beulah	News; Santa	Unseen Advisor
:15	News	Jack Smith	Spirit's Sanctum	News
:30	Hollywood Theatre	"Club 15"	The Lone Ranger: Cowboy Drama	Variety Hall
:45	" "	Ed Murrow	" "	Inside of Sports
8:00	Blondie	Mr. Chameleon	Original Amateur Hour	Musiquiz
:15	" "	" "	" "	" "
:30	Great Gildersleeve	Dr. Christian	" "	High Adventure
:45	" "	" "	" "	" "
9:00	Duffy's Tavern	Your Song and Mine	Milton Berle	Gabriel Heatter
:15	" "	" "	Groucho-Marx Show	Singing Sam
:30	Mr. District Attorney	Harvest of Stars	" "	The Family Theatre
:45	" "	" "	" "	" "
10:00	The Big Story	The Hollywood Story	Manhattan Playhouse	Xmas Music
:15	" "	" "	Meredith Willson	" "
:30	Curtain Time	" "	" "	News
:45	" "	" "	" "	Fulton Lewis Jr.
11:00	News; Radio Night Club	News Analysis	News; Weather	Come and Dance
:15	Boys Town Choir	Powers Gourand	Duke Ellington Show	" "
:30	" "	Johnny Austin Orchestra	" "	" "
:45	" "	" "	" "	" "
12 p.m.	News; Anthony	Utah Symphony	Sports and News	Bandwagon

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

AT the Merchandise Mart in Chicago they tell a story about the section of Heaven reserved exclusively for salesmen. The successful ones are gathered in Anteroom A; the failures in Anteroom B.

The failures sit down to dinner at eight. Waiters appear with delicacies of every kind, but preceding them, a monitor straps a long iron spoon to each diner's arm, rendering it completely rigid, and preventing him from eating. The failures, wan, emaciated, joyless, eye the platters of food silently and do nothing.

In Anteroom A, precisely the same procedure is followed, but the successful salesmen find it no impediment. They simply dip their long spoons into the savoury morsels and feed the men seated alongside them. As a result, they are plump, contented, and healthy.

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BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

Guess Your Partner

IN A HAPHAZARD session of rubber bridge, among players who do not know each others' games too well, or in an individual tournament, in which you get a series of new partners, you have a lot of guessing to do. There are many situations in which one fine player will employ a specific bid in a certain way and another will use it quite differently. If you don't know how the man across from you is going to interpret your own action, you have to make the best guess you can.

North: ♠ K 5 ♥ J 8 7 ♦ 10 8 6 4 ♣ J 7 4 2
West: ♠ 9 8 2 ♥ K 3 2 ♦ K Q 7 2 ♣ A K Q
East: ♠ A Q 10 6 3 ♥ A 9 6 4 ♦ 9 3 ♣ 5 3
South: ♠ J 7 4 ♥ Q 10 5 ♦ A J 5 ♣ 10 9 8 6

(Dealer: East. North - South vulnerable.)

East	South	West	North
1 ♠	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♥	Pass	6 NT	

That contract is impossible to make, since tricks must be lost to the diamond A and spade J before twelve can be brought in. The West players at several tables reached it, however, in the individual duplicate of the Union League Club in New York, where the hand was dealt. Several players got into 6-Spades by slightly different calling.

The one real point of the hand bears on the first call by West after East's 1-Spade comes to him. Charles E. Coleman, son of the late Edwin H. Coleman, second individual champion of New York's Inter-Club League, in whose name the Coleman Memorial Trophy is presented each year by his old clubmates, sized up the dilemma clearly.

"I didn't know the bidding of my partner of the moment," he explained. "If he had bid as my father did, I would have called 3-No Trumps on those strong West cards, since a 2-No Trump response by that method was non-forcing but limited in strength. If I knew my partner as one who treated a 2-No Trumps as a force to one level higher, I would have made that bid. In either event I would have given a clear picture of my hand and, following a 2-No Trumps force and a 3-Hearts response I could have called either 3-Spades or 3-No Trumps and we would have been okeh in just a game. Guessing, though, I guessed wrong with my diamond jump and other bids, and wound up in trouble."

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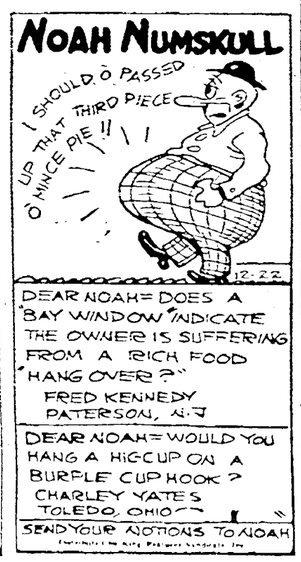
Tomorrow's Problem

North: ♠ 9 4 3 ♥ K J 6 4 ♦ K J 7 5 ♣ Q 5
West: ♠ 8 6 ♥ 10 9 7 3 2 ♦ 8 2 ♣ 6 4 3 2
East: ♠ Q J 10 7 5 2 ♥ A ♦ 9 6 3 ♣ K 10 7
South: ♠ A K ♥ Q 8 5 ♦ A Q 10 4 ♣ A J 9 8

(Dealer: West. North - South vulnerable.)

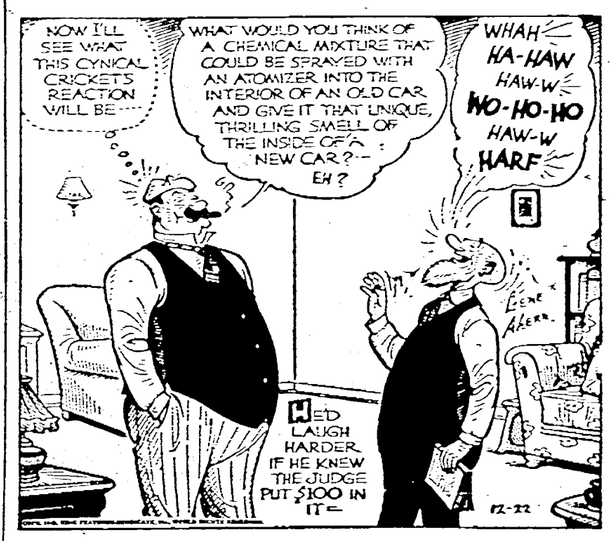
What bidding would you recommend after South doubles East's 1-Spade?

Queens county, New York, was noted for horse races as early as 1665.



IT'S QUEER BUT TRUE

ROOM and BOARD by GENE AHEARN



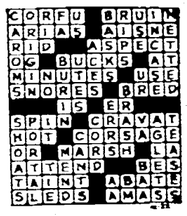
THE OLD HOME TOWN by STANLEY

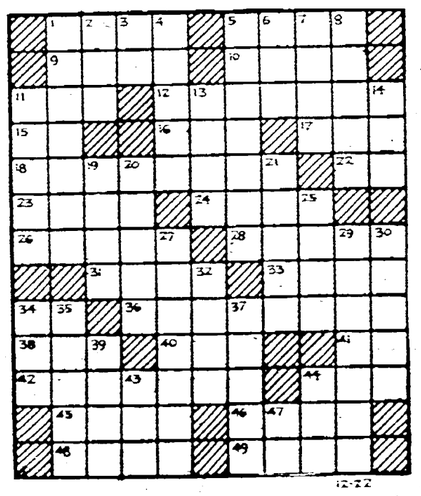
TODAY'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
1. Grasslands
5. Cease
9. Jot
10. Weary
11. Kettle
12. Very violent storm
15. Sloth
16. Fish
17. Mandate
18. Inhabitant of an island
22. The (Fr. article)
23. Render water turbid
24. Let it stand (Print.)
26. Edible mollusk
28. Ascend
31. Foray
33. Top
34. Music note
36. A rush of horses
38. System of chronology
40. Attempt
41. Unit of weight (abbr.)
42. Flemish painter
44. Favorite animal
45. A row
46. Bellow
48. Consumes
49. Trays for carrying bricks

DOWN
1. Officer serving as go-between
2. An age
3. Preposition
4. Glossy-surfaced fabric
5. Highways
6. Metal
7. Verbal
8. Foot-lever in organ
11. Couples
13. Excess of changes
14. To be in debt
19. One who lies
20. Assumed name
21. Cap again
25. Narrow woven strip
27. Carrying-couches
29. Horizontal timbers in scaffolding
30. Put forth effort
32. Venture
34. Monetary unit (Bulgaria)
35. Rugged mountain crest
37. Gum-resin in perfume
39. Melody
43. Encountered
44. Cushion
47. Hawaiian bird

Yesterday's Answer





DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

F Q R X Y U I J L Z F X C Z I U X' O R O C U C R Y O Q U T T V R B R L H K L Z G A U X A J L R U C — O C R B R X O Z X.

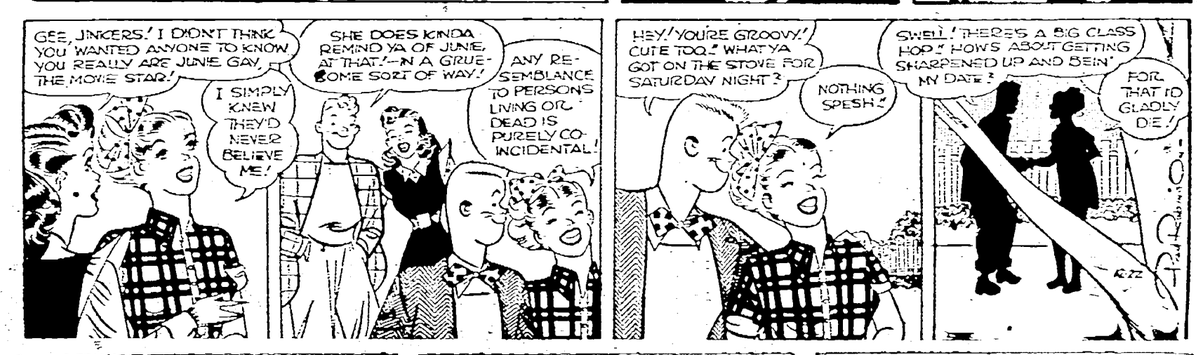
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: EACH HEART RECALLED A DIFFERENT NAME, BUT ALL SANG ANNIE LAURIE—TAYLOR.

BRICK BRADFORD

MUGGS McGINNIS

TIM TYLER'S LUCK

ETTA KETT



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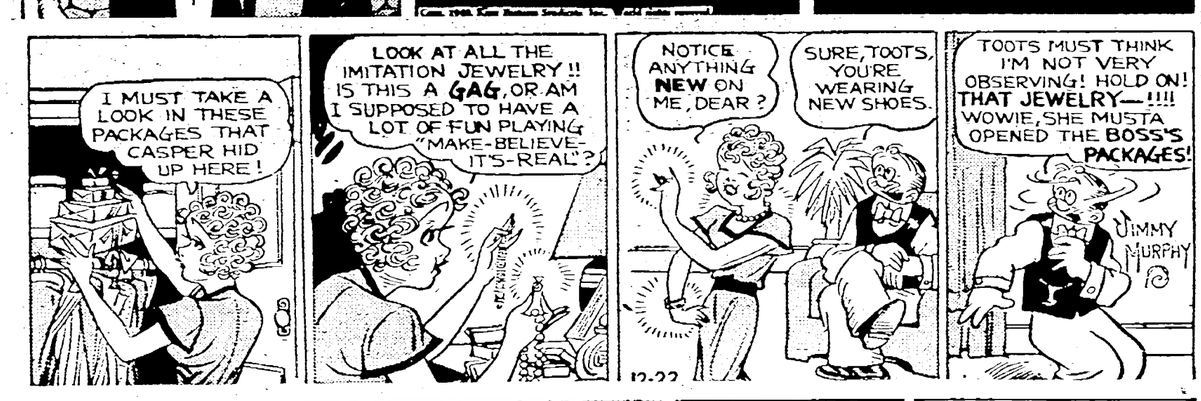

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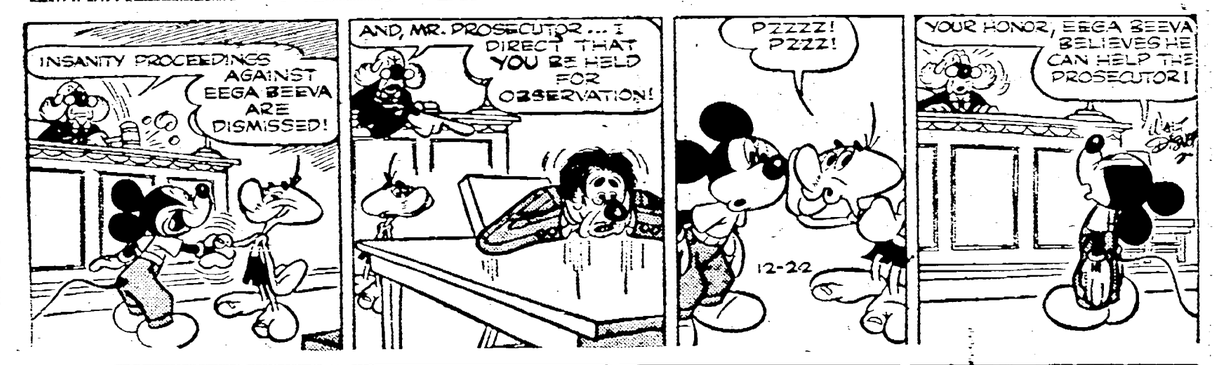

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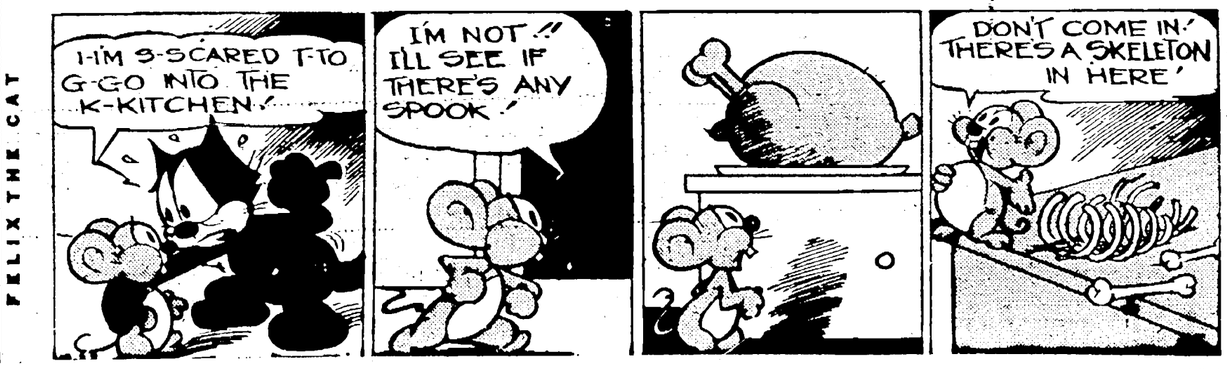

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Assails GOP

Sen. J Howard McGrath (Dem-Conn) (above) said yesterday in Washington that the GOP "never forgets, forgives or changes." He was referring to a statement by Republicans that they would like to make changes in the Taft-Hartley law.

Man Held As Bigamist; Both Wives Cry in Court

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec 21 (AP)—James Arthur Marlowe's two wives met today for the first time, and both wept.

Marlowe, 34, Army veteran from Wingham, Ohio, was held to the grand jury under $10,000 bond on a charge of bigamy.

Mrs. Myrtle Marlowe came here from Ohio to investigate her husband's arrest. She said he left home Oct 5 to join the Army and promised to send for her and their five sons as soon as he found a place for them to live in Louisville.

Marlowe and wife No. 2, Mrs. Thelma Marlowe, were married here Oct 6.

The two women went to the courtroom together today and heard Police Judge Homer McLellen order Marlowe held for grand jury action. The grand jury is scheduled to hear the case tomorrow.

3 Red Cross Men Killed By Costa Rican Rebels

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, Dec 21 (AP)—Government air transports brought in today the bodies of six mangled Costa Ricans, at least three of whom were declared to be Red Cross workers killed by rebels invading Costa Rica.

Red Cross arm bands still were on the bodies which had been stripped of shoes and headress.

Government sources said the group had gone to establish a hospital in Northern Costa Rica near Murciélago airport and were surprised and killed by "invaders."

Survey Hints Boost in Spring Pig Crop May Not Reach Federal Expectations

WASHINGTON, Dec 21 (AP)—An Agriculture department survey indicated today that farmers may not expand pork production as much in 1949 as the government had recommended.

Several months ago, Secretary of Agriculture Brannan urged a 17 percent larger pig crop next Spring than was produced the past Spring. But a check of farmers' plans showed a prospective increase of only about 10 percent.

The coming Spring crop will produce the nation's pork supply next Fall and Winter.

Brannan's goal was designed to boost meat supplies to an annual average of 150 pounds per person by late 1949. The present consumption rate is about 145 pounds.

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REPORTS FROM THE FIELD say some farmers fear that big expansion in hogs next year would bring a sharp reduction in prices that would take the profit out of hog raising. They were said to have been influenced by the fact that the general level of farm prices has dropped about 12 percent this year.

The department forecast a spring crop of 56,500,000 head. Brannan had recommended at least 60,000,000. This year's Spring crop was 51,286,000.

Some department officials still hope, however, that the Spring crop will come much nearer the goal than today's report indicated.

B. H. Roberts, chief of the department's livestock production division, said he believed the forecast is "too conservative."

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THE PREDICTION, he said, shows that farmers plan to breed 14 percent more sows than the past Spring. But it assumes that the number of pigs saved per litter will be considerably smaller than the past Spring.

He said that should litters equal the past Spring's average, the coming crop would exceed 58,000,000 head.

Roberts also said he expects more sows to be bred than today's report indicated. He based this upon prospects that hog prices may turn up slightly during January and February—a season when marketings normally decline below December levels.

Such an upturn in prices, he said, could be expected to affect breedings favorably.

Lukens Steel to Convert Plate Mill to Electricity

COATESVILLE, Dec. 21 (AP)—Lukens Steel company directors approved today a plan to electrify its 206-inch plate mill—the world's largest—at a cost of $1,715,000.

The company said the program will require from a year to 15 months to complete. The mill will not be closed down during 1949 however.

Completion of the project will increase capacity for converting carbon and low alloy ingots into slabs or plates an estimated ten percent.

Since completion in 1918, the mill has been operated by steam engine and boilers.

Navy's Automatic Pilot Described As Stall-Proof

WASHINGTON, Dec 21 (AP)—The Navy demonstrated today an experimental device for automatically flying and landing an airplane more precisely than a human pilot can do.

The equipment is called the angle-of-attack auto-pilot because its control system is related to the angle between the wing and the direction of the air flowing past the airplane. This angle determines the lift of the wing.

The device was built by Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator company of Minneapolis, Minn., under Navy contract. The Navy said further development is being made by its Bureau of Aeronautics in co-operation with the company. The Navy described the device as "virtually stall-proof."

U. S. Army Officer Found Unconscious in Vienna

VIENNA, Austria, Dec 21 (AP)—A Lancaster Army captain was found unconscious in the International zone of Vienna yesterday.

An Austrian policeman came upon Capt Raymond Miller in a bombed out building. Miller was cut on the face and hip. He was taken to the U. S. Army's 110th Station hospital here.

Physicians said he suffered stab wounds and a fracture of the jaw.

Army authorities said there appeared to be no motive for the apparent assault. Miller is commanding officer of the quartermaster sub-depot at Ramback in the U. S. zone of Austria. His wife is in Austria.

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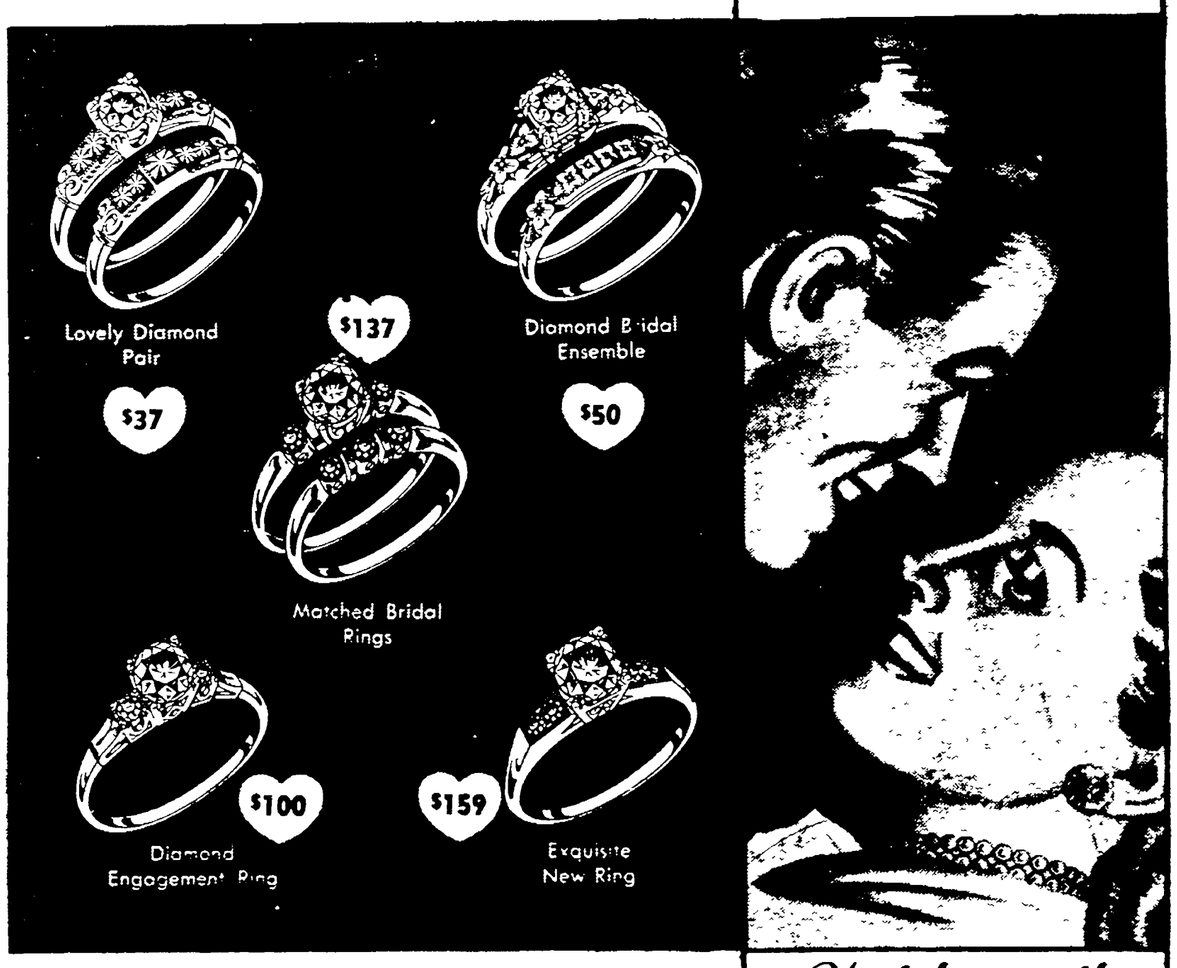

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Trojan Five Ends Losing Streak, Whips Easton High Here, 59-47; Falcons Bow to Warwick, 33-28

Pottstown High's cagers snapped a three-game losing streak last night, romping to an impressive 59-47 triumph over an Easton High quintet that saw its hopes of victory fade as early as the second period under a barrage of Trojan field goals.

A throng of 500 fans thought little of the poor weather conditions and wended its way to the Pottstown Junior High gymnasium to see the Trojans chalk up their first victory since dumping Doylestown in the season's opener here two weeks ago.

The Trojans, who fell apart like an old house at Lancaster the past Friday night, looked like a bunch of pros against the visiting Easton quintet. Coach Ed Good's proteges attempted 60 shots during the game and made good on 23. At the foul-line, the Pottstonians sank 13 to 18 free throws.

The lead changed hands several times during the first period until Easton went ahead 10-9 just before the quarter ended.

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POTTSTOWN opened the second stanza with a terrific offensive attack and wasted little time in going ahead of the visitors. Easton was held scoreless for the first four minutes of the second period and finished with only eight points.

Brower Yerger, Joe Pollick and Norm Sundstrom carried the attack in the second quarter with Yerger tabbing 10 of the Trojans' 23 points. At halftime, Pottstown was in front, 32-18, and was never headed thereafter.

Yerger, held scoreless in the first period, accounted for 24 points during the game. Sundstrom tabbed 12, Pollick scored 11 and Bobby Mauger chipped in with 10 digits.

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MAUGER PLAYED a brilliant game on offense and defense. The little Trojan guard handed out many assists in addition to his scoring and was given the job of guarding Lou Guadagnino, tricky Easton cager who was selected on the PIAA All-State second team a year ago.

Guadagnino scored five points in the first two minutes of the game and could get but one point the rest of the way.

Easton started a comeback in the third quarter and at one time was within seven points of the Trojans. As the fourth quarter started, Pottstown led by nine digits.

Yerger kept the Pottstown attack moving in the fourth quarter and accounted for four of five field goals.

In the preliminary game, Pottstown's Baby Trojans dropped a 26-24 decision to Easton despite a fourth period rally that netted 14 points.

Easton	G.	F.	P.	Pottstown	G.	F.	P.
Fisd, f	0	4	4	Iezzi, f	1	0	2
Werner, f	1	3	5	Rettew, f	1	0	2
Chidsey, c	1	4	6	Von Drach, f	2	0	4
Scheetz, c	0	0	0	Duttenh'er, c	0	1	1
Vedonsky, g	2	2	6	Hallman, c	3	0	6
Feaure, g	0	0	0	Repko, c	1	2	4
Blake, g	1	3	5	Pollick, g	0	3	3
Church'an, g	0	0	0	Propes, g	0	0	0
				Ricketts, g	1	0	2
				Moore, g	0	0	0
Totals	5	16	26	Totals	9	6	24

Score by periods:

Pottstown	7	3	0	14—24
Easton	7	8	6	5—26

Easton	G.	F.	P.	Pottstown	G.	F.	P.
Gies, f	5	2	12	Sundstr'm, f	5	2	12
Stitoe, f	4	2	10	Formando, f	0	0	0
Todaro, f	0	0	0	Beasley, f	0	0	0
Joseph, c	1	2	4	Pollick, f	3	5	11
Guarda'ino, g	2	2	6	Spare, f	0	0	0
Parnell, g	0	0	0	Yerger, c	11	2	24
Sylvester, g	4	3	11	Seidell, c	0	0	0
Smith, g	2	0	4	Dobry, c	0	1	1
				Rath, g	0	0	0
				Royer, g	0	0	0
				Fry, g	0	1	1
				Mauger, g	4	2	10
Totals	18	11	47	Totals	23	13	59

Score by periods:

Easton	10	8	17	12—47
Pottstown	9	23	12	15—59

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THREE CROWNS LOSE

A strong Birdsboro quintet defeated the Three Crowns basketball team of Pottstown by a 68-59 score last night at Birdsboro. John Celani scored 24 points for Pottstown to take individual scoring honors.

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Warwick High jumped into the driver's seat in the race for the Pottstown Suburban basketball championship last night as a result of its 33-28 victory over West Pottsgrove's Falcons at Warwick.

As it stands now, Warwick leads with one victory and no defeats. The Falcons are second with one win and one defeat, and Norco trails with one defeat and no triumphs.

A year ago, the three teams wound up in a tie with two victories and two losses apiece.

West Pottsgrove started out in good fashion, taking a 4-2 lead over the hosts in the first eight minutes. Warwick, however, came back strong in the second period and swept past the Falcons with ease. At halftime, Coach "Woody" Baver's proteges were sporting a comfortable 20-13 lead over the Falcons.

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WEST POTTSGROVE managed to slice two points off Warwick's lead in the third stanza with the help of Al Stauffer's shooting, but the home team held the Falcons to four points in the last period and maintained their five-point lead.

Stauffer gave Warwick plenty of trouble during the game, but despite his scoring efforts the Falcons fell six points short of victory. Stauffer tabbed six field goals and two fouls for 14 points, half of the Falcons' output.

Bill Baver and Jack Painter led the Warwick attack with 10 and eight points respectively.

The Falcon junior varsity defeated Warwick in the preliminary, 31-22.

Warwick	G.	F.	P.	West Pottsgrove	G.	F.	P.
Painter, f	2	2	6	Sabo, f	2	0	4
Bedi, f	1	0	2	Trace, f	0	0	0
Moses, f	2	2	6	Wilkinson, f	1	0	2
Baver, c	4	2	10	Baker, f	0	0	0
Steitz, g	0	0	0	Stauffer, c	6	2	14
Wynn, g	0	0	0	Ciori, g	3	1	7
				Gich, g	0	1	1
Totals	13	7	33	Totals	12	4	28

Score by periods:

Warwick	2	18	9	4—33
West Pottsgrove	4	9	11	4—28

Referees—Strom and Bechtel. Timer—Houck. Scorer—Fitch.

Warwick	G.	F.	P.	West Pottsgrove	G.	F.	P.
McLeod, f	1	1	3	Trace, f	4	3	11
Ream, f	2	0	4	Baro, f	7	2	16
Fisher, f	2	0	4	Tackacs, f	0	0	0
Gouck, c	3	0	6	Baker, c	0	2	2
Springer, c	0	0	0	Mourar, g	0	0	0
Frock, g	0	2	2	Oolatosti, g	0	0	0
Skiles, g	0	0	0	Bartman, g	0	2	2
Taylor, g	1	1	3				
Frame, g	0	0	0				
Totals	9	4	22	Totals	11	9	31

Score by periods:

Warwick	4	4	9	5—22
West Pottsgrove	8	5	7	10—31

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SCHWENKVILLE LOSES BY 47-14 TO SPRING CITY

Pirates Hold Losers to Four Field Goals; Carl Sets Pace With 15 Points

Playing great defensive basketball from start to finish, Spring City's Pirates had little trouble with Schwenkville's cagers last night and turned in an easy 47-14 triumph at Spring City.

The Pirates held Schwenkville to four field goals throughout the game, and had it not been for six foul goals the visitors would never have hit the double column in scoring.

Coach Gene Groff used nine players against the Bluebirds and all but one managed to break into the scoring column. Phil Carl led the scorers with 15 points. Jim Dell was runnerup with nine.

In the preliminary tussle, the Spring City Baby Pirates disposed of Schwenkville's junior varsity, 27-19.

Schwenkville	G.	F.	P.	Spring City	G.	F.	P.
F. Boyer, f	0	1	1	Rentschl'r, f	4	0	8
Delp, f	0	0	0	Mull, f	0	0	0
Beers, f	1	0	2	Carl, f	6	3	15
R. Boyer, f	0	1	1	McKissic, f	1	1	3
Ernie, c	0	1	1	Dell, c	3	3	9
Trovinger, c	0	0	0	Davis, c	1	3	5
Young, g	0	1	1	Gumma, g	1	0	2
Conrath, g	0	0	0	Nelson, g	1	1	3
King, g	3	2	8	Stauffer, g	0	2	2
Coles, g	0	0	0				
Totals	4	6	14	Totals	17	13	47

Score by periods:

Schwenkville	4	2	6	2—14
Spring City	11	13	14	9—47

Schwenkville	G.	F.	P.	Spring City	G.	F.	P.
Gaugler, f	3	0	6	Mull, f	1	1	3
Blattner, f	2	2	6	H. Carl, f	1	2	4
Miner, c	1	1	3	McKissic, c	2	0	4
Heflin, c	0	0	0	Davis, g	2	0	4
Luyben, g	0	0	0	Caporra, g	0	0	0
Radcliffe, g	0	0	0	Haxson, g	3	4	10
Burton, g	0	4	4	Taschner, g	0	2	2
Totals	6	7	17	Totals	9	9	27

Score by periods:

Spring City	8	8	5	6—27
Schwenkville	7	3	2	7—19

COLONELS HAND NORTH COVENTRY 49-18 SETBACK

Gerry Claycomb Scores 15 Points; Collegeville Junior Varsity Also Wins

Collegeville High's Colonels made it two victories in succession last night by defeating North Coventry, 49-18, at Collegeville.

The Wildcats never threatened seriously after the Colonels had taken an 11-5 lead in the first period.

Collegeville was late in getting started, and didn't reach its peak until the second half. At halftime the hosts were in front, 16-12.

Thirteen points in the third period and 20 more in the fourth quarter gave the Colonels a commanding margin at the finish.

Gerry Claycomb led the victors with 15 points via seven field goals and a foul.

The Collegeville junior varsity outclassed the Norco junior varsity in the preliminary, 42-22.

Collegeville	G.	F.	P.	North Coventry	G.	F.	P.
Pressler, f	3	1	7	Beidler, f	1	0	2
Zielinski, f	8	1	17	Fulmer, f	1	0	1
Raybuck, c	4	3	11	Beekler, c	3	3	9
Harris, g	0	3	3	Wampler, g	2	1	5
Moorehead, g	2	0	4	Brown, g	1	1	3
Miller, g	0	0	0	Conway, g	0	1	1
Totals	17	8	42	Totals	6	5	22

Score by periods:

Collegeville	12	17	5	8—42
North Coventry	9	6	3	4—22

Collegeville	G.	F.	P.	North Coventry	G.	F.	P.
Gemberl'g, f	3	7	13	Clemmens, f	3	0	6
Nace, f	1	3	5	Ellis, f	0	0	0
Pressler, f	1	0	2	Darlington, f	0	0	0
Manning, f	0	3	3	Tyson, f	0	0	0
Claycomb, c	7	1	15	Reish, c	0	0	0
Hunsberger, g	2	3	7	McCrud'n, g	1	0	2
Hefelfinger, g	2	0	4	Buckw'ter, g	2	0	4
Howard, g	0	0	0	Rupert, g	1	4	5
Moorehead, g	0	0	0	Wampler, g	0	0	0
Totals	16	17	49	Totals	7	4	18

Score by periods:

Collegeville	11	5	13	20—49
North Coventry	5	7	3	3—18

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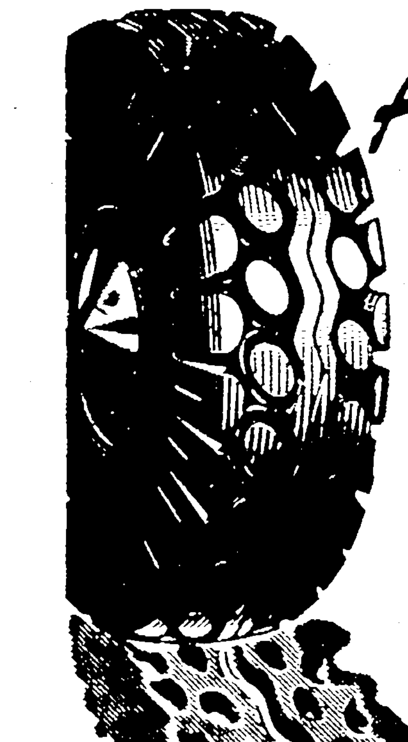

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Boyertown Cops 1st Victory, Defeats Royersford, 34-31

Accurate shooting from the foul line paid off for Boyertown High's cagers last night.

The Bears, outscored in field goals, capitalized on foul shooting to defeat Royersford High, 34-31, for their first victory of the season on the Boyertown court. The Boyertown cagers made good on 14 free throws while the Eagles sank only nine tosses from the foul line.

The victory ended a Boyertown losing streak at four games and marked the first victory for Coach Herbert Hartman, who replaced Bob Fleming at the helm of the Bears this season.

Boyertown took a 10-6 lead in the first period and held onto the lead throughout the remainder of the game. Royersford threatened to go ahead in the third period, but the Bears spurted in the fourth period and saved their lead.

In the preliminary, Boyertown defeated Royersford's junior varsity by a 39-15 score.

Royersford	G.	F.	P.	Boyertown	G.	F.	P.
Wright, f	0	0	0	Gresh, f	0	2	2
Raudenb'ch, f	2	0	4	Clark, f	1	1	3
Fisher, f	2	1	5	Gribben, f	1	0	2
J. Feairh'er, f	0	0	0	Rothenb'er, f	5	1	11
P. Feairh'er, c	0	1	1	Unger, c	0	0	0
Lightcap, g	1	0	2	Nester, g	5	3	13
DePaoli, g	0	2	2	Evans, g	2	3	7
Hoff, g	0	1	1	Eddinger, g	0	1	1
Totals	5	5	15	Totals	14	11	39

Score by periods:

Boyertown	6	9	10	12—39
Royersford	3	6	3	3—15

Boyertown	G.	F.	P.	Royersford	G.	F.	P.
Hartline, f	3	2	8	Faust, f	3	3	9
Mouck, f	0	0	0	Carl, f	4	4	12
Brannan, f	0	2	2	Foreman, f	0	0	0
Johnson, c	4	0	8	Neubert, f	0	0	0
Koons, g	3	8	14	Geiss, c	2	0	4
Eddinger, g	0	2	4	Hesh, c	0	1	4
Mackey, g	0	0	0	Freed, g	0	0	0
				Kulp, g	2	1	5
Totals	10	14	34	Totals	11	9	31

Score by periods:

Boyertown	10	12	3	9—34
Royersford	6	10	8	7—31

East Greenville Tops Whitpain by 65-32

With Ray Stoneback and Richie Ziegler accounting for 36 points, East Greenville coasted to its second consecutive victory last night by outclassing Whitpain, 65-32, at East Greenville.

Both of the Yellow Jacket triumphs have come at the expense of Whitpain. A week ago the Greenies defeated Whitpain, 32-17.

In the preliminary, East Greenville's junior varsity downed Whitpain, 32-17.

Whitpain	G.	F.	P.	East Greenville	G.	F.	P.
Harris, f	4	0	8	Stoneback, f	5	7	17
Moore, f	1	0	2	Oehlinger, f	4	0	8
Hauschild, f	0	0	0	Schweyer, f	2	1	5
Reger, c	7	3	17	Swenk, f	0	2	2
Bruntager, g	0	0	0	Fennep'ler, c	2	0	4
Simmons, g	1	1	3	Beahm, c	1	0	2
Brower, g	1	0	2	Ziegler, g	8	3	19
Taylor, g	0	0	0	Miller, g	2	0	4
				Kunns, g	1	0	2
				Harpel, g	1	0	2
				Bieler, g	0	1	1
Totals	14	4	32	Totals	27	11	65

Score by periods:

Whitpain	3	13	8	8—32
East Greenville	14	17	15	19—65

W. A. HOHL WINS 1948 DEER HUNTER'S CONTEST

Picture above shows Mr. W. A. Hohl, 48 East Second street, Pottstown, receiving a brand new General Electric Freezer at the SANATOGA RADIO CO. showrooms in Sanatoga. Mr. J. Edgar McCarraher is making the presentation. Mr. Hohl's name was drawn from a group of 91 hunters in this area who were successful in bagging a buck. Mr. Andrew Katch, 451 South street, drew the name. Mr. Harry Rotz, 9th and State Sts., won a similar award in 1947.

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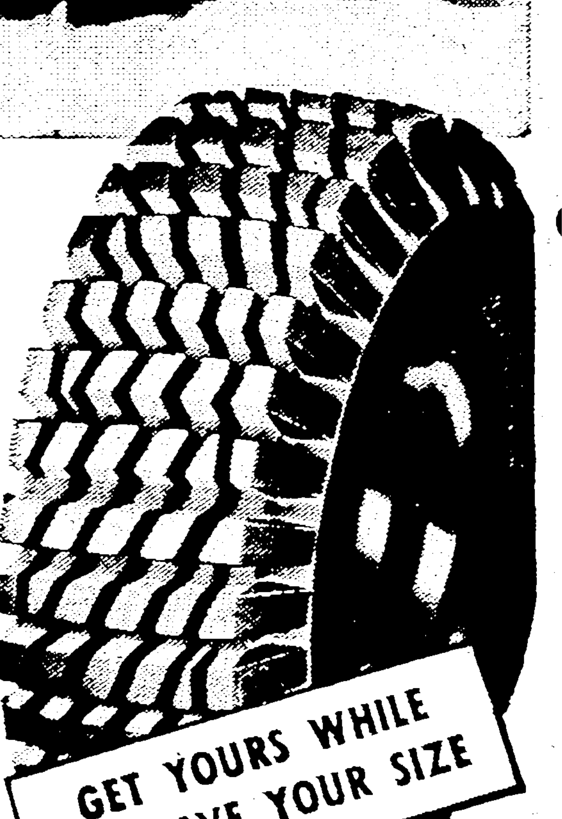

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Although she is just over five feet tall, Isabell Fazekas (above) is expected to be a starter for West Pottsgrove High's girls basketball team when it opens the 1949 cage season Jan. 4 against Pottstown High. Fazekas was a star on the Falconettes' hockey team the past Fall and is one of the outstanding girl athletes at West Pottsgrove.

Boyertown Girls Rout Schwenkville, 44-14

Boyertown High's girls' basketball team opened its season yesterday with an impressive 44-14 victory over Schwenkville High on the Boyertown court.

Barbara Bernhart led the Boyertown scorers with 17 points on eight field goals and one foul.

In the preliminary game, the Boyertown junior varsity turned back the Schwenkville reserves, 17-7.

Joe Walcott Rated Logical Contender For Louis' Crown

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP) — Jersey Joe Walcott, or the man who can whip him, is the logical contender for Joe Louis' heavyweight title.

This conclusion was drawn today by the National Boxing association as it announced its final 1948 ratings.

Actually Walcott wasn't put in the space labelled "contenders" in the heavyweight division. The NBA merely wrote in "awaiting further competition."

But he was listed first among the outstanding boxers, with Ezzard Charles next.

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AND IN A PRESS release accompanying the ratings, Fred J. Saddy, who heads the ratings committee, said:

"The logical contenders for Joe Louis' heavyweight title must always include Jersey Joe Walcott, and the NBA believes that the final selection for a title match should be Walcott or the heavyweight who is good enough to beat Walcott in an elimination go."

Three new champions were crowned during the year:

Light heavyweight Freddie Mills, middleweight Marcel Cerdan and featherweight Sandy Saddler.

Saddy figures 1949 will bring three additional champions. Welterweight Ray Robinson and bantamweight Manuel Ortiz are having trouble making their weight limits. And Louis, of course, is expected to retire.

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ON THE DARKER side: Not many outstanding boxers have cropped up this year.

Saddy singled out these for special consideration:

Frankie Fernandez of Hawaii, Dave Sands of Australia, Lee Sala of Pittsburgh, Joe DeJohn of Syracuse, Maxie Docusen of New Orleans and Dado Marino of Hawaii.

Football Dodgers Sign Lou Kusserow for 1949

BROOKLYN, Dec. 21 (AP) — The Brooklyn Football Dodgers of the All-America conference today signed Lou Kusserow, Columbia fullback, for the 1949 season.

During his collegiate career, he set nine scoring records at Columbia and scored 45 touchdowns in four full seasons. He was eligible under war times rules to play as a freshman.

Lions Draft Rauch, Trade Him to Yanks For Doak Walker

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21 (AP)—The cellar-dwelling Detroit Lions today grabbed Johnny Rauch in the first choice at the National Football league draft meeting but didn't hold on to him very long.

Lion General Manager Alvin (Bo) McMillin promptly traded rights to the Georgia university passing ace for Boston's choice, Doak Walker, Southern Methodist ace.

Why didn't Detroit pick Walker in the first place? Well the hocus pocus transaction went this way.

When the NFL held its secret draft meeting at Pittsburgh November 15, Detroit chose Rauch and Boston Walker.

Since that time, Detroit reasoned that it had two fine passers in Fred Enke and Clyde Leforce of this year's squad and could use a runner. By a similar study, owner Ted Collins of the Yanks decided he might be able to use a passer.

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NET RESULT was a quick meeting of the minds today and Rauch the passer went to Boston for Walker the runnner.

Of course Detroit will have to wait a year for Walker to graduate while Boston can attempt to sign Rauch after he graduates this Spring.

McMillin said it would be worth waiting a year, for the likes of Walker, also a great defensive back and better than average place kicker.

Collins indicated equal enthusiasm for his right to bid for Rauch who led Georgia to one of its most successful seasons in 1948. The Yanks desperately need a first rate passer.

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THE GREEN BAY PACKERS officially announced they had drawn Stan Heath, Nevada's passin' man, as their first choice. Heath was another of the players plucked from the hat in the November meeting.

Washington's initial selection was Bob Goode, Texas A. & M. back the Redskins already have announced as signed for next year. Pittsburgh grabbed Clemson's hard-running Bobby Gage as its number one selection while the New York Giants named Al Derogatis, Duke Tackle, on first pick.

The Chicago Bears opened up with Dick Harris, Texas center while the Western division champion Chicago Cardinals grabbed off Notre Dame's fine tackle, Bill Fischer on first effort.

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THE CHAMPION Philadelphia Eagles had acquired the draft right to Penn's All-America center, Charley Bednarik in the NFL's special bonus player draw. Today, Coach Greasy Neale reached for Frank Burns, Rutgers quarterback.

The Los Angeles Rams designat Bobby Thomason, Virginia Military institute back, as their first choice.

There were several other trades.

Detroit, a very busy organization at the meeting, traded guard Dick Stovall to Washington for draft rights to Joe Colone, Penn State's fine kicker, and Jack Kurkowski, Detroit university back.

The Lions were involved in still another deal in which they acquired quarterback Gene Malinowski from Boston for "a draft right." No other details were announced.

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NFL COMMISSIONER Bert Bell announced that each team could draw 25 players instead of 30 as has been the practice in the past.

Browns Select Walker In All-America Draft

CLEVELAND, Dec. 21 (AP)—Doak Walker of Southern Methodist, All-America halfback the past two seasons, was drafted by the Cleveland Browns at today's fourth annual auction of football talent in the All-America conference.

Walker, who still has a year of collegiate eligibility at the Texas school, also was picked by the orphaned Boston Yanks in the National league, who in turn traded him to Detroit.

Thus the SMU junior won't become the center of the expected financial tug-of-war between the two clubs until a year from now. By the rules of both circuits, Walker may not be approached until he has completed college play.

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In addition to the rooftop show the Struckmanns have a tall, majestic spruce tree on their lawn lit with the power of 250 bulbs, and a smaller one nearby, shining with bulbs of red, white, green, yellow and blue.

Lights shine around the neat, single house to make the Christmas scene complete.

The Struckmanns started their Christmas decorating in 1946 when they moved here from Philadelphia. This year, three men worked two days on the job, and the display will be left in place until approximately two weeks after Christmas, like most of the other home displays in the borough.

Because of the lavish outdoors work, the Struckmanns have limited the wreaths to two windows only.

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NEXT DOOR, at 19 Maplewood drive, John B. Hartenstine Jr. also has made his home symbolize the brightness of the Christmas spirit, with illuminated bushes, candles in the front windows, wreaths in the rear windows and a line of red and green bulbs around the doors and windows, blue under the eaves of the house.

"I'd like to add a manger scene next year," Hartenstine said, as he pointed out that he and Struckman work together on Yuletide decorating, complementing each other's ideas instead of duplicating them.

In the center of town the brightly-lit home of William H. Fosnocht, 367 Walnut street, stands out boldly in a heavily-populated neighborhood.

The electrician has lit up the front of his home with three Christmas trees, while the front and side of the house are outlined in red and green bulbs under the eaves, and red, yellow, green and blue specks of electric light around the windows and doors.

Stars top the trees to make Fosnocht's home a showplace of the central residential district.

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IN THE OTHER END of town, the home of Arthur McCarraher, at 1155 High street, glows this year for the first time in a decade with Santa Claus, his sleigh and reindeer on the porch roof.

The display had been stored in the McCarraher home basement for 10 years, Mrs. McCarraher said, but this year her husband decided to help brighten the East End again.

Workmen were able to erect the Christmas scene in a few hours, she said, and it will be left in place until New Year's Day, at least.

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A BRIGHT SPOT in the North End is the large, stone home of Ralph E. Fisher, 837 North Evans street.

The corner house glows with hundreds of bulbs that run around the eaves, doors and windows, while holly and wreaths complete the holiday picture.

Just one block down the street, the corner homes of Arthur K. Switzer, 798 North Evans street, and Raymond I. Smale, 805 North Evans street, also have outdoor illumination.

Both have strings of lights around the front doors, while the Switzer residence has Yuletide wreaths in the windows.

Most homeowners had little difficulty with their outdoor electrical displays. In most cases they simply ran extension cords outdoors.

Some artfully manufactured their own candles from steel or other metals, painting them to resemble wax, and electrifying them to make them much more efficient than the old-fashioned variety.

One decorator cast a bit of disillusionment upon all these electrical grandeur.

"I hope nobody swipes th bulbs," he said. "Last night about half of mine were taken."

U. S. SUPPORTS —

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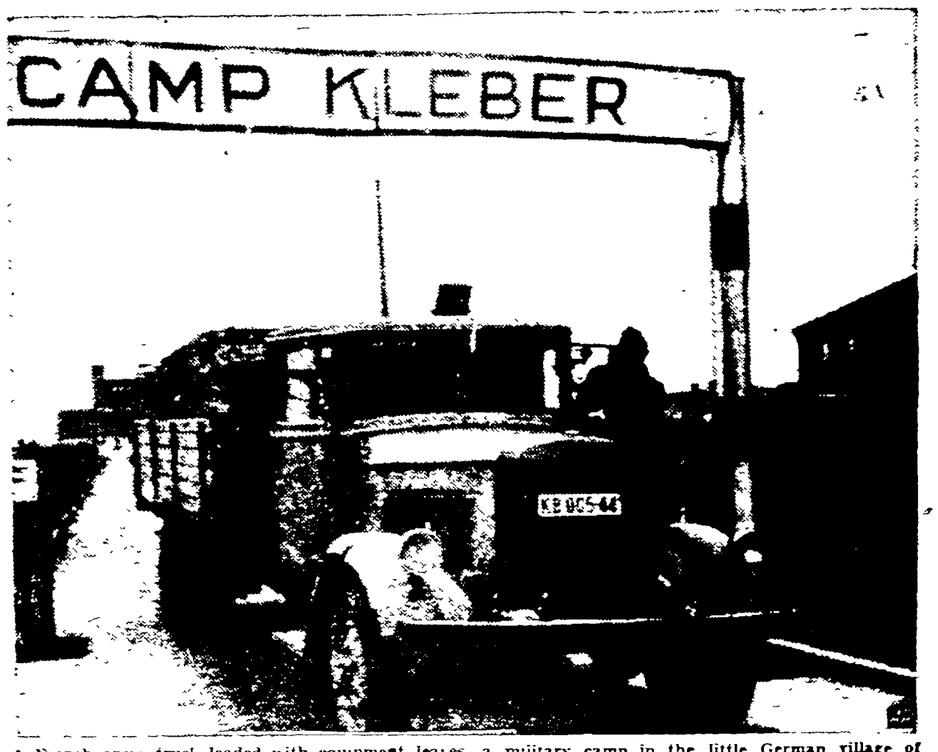
return to the old lines would "not be peace, all" and would cause chaos.

Of compliance with a cease fire order he said:

"Of course that would apply to large movements. I would be too much to expect us not to reply to guerrilla actions. In any case we should probably have to consult The Hague on the military situation. A great deal also depends on the wording—whether it offers anything constructive."

French Abandon German Village to Russians



A French army truck loaded with equipment leaves a military camp in the little German village of Stolpe, preparatory to the return of the village to Russian control. Stolpe, a farming community of less than 1000 persons, was given to the French by the Russians in October, 1945, so that the French could build an airfield there. The field never was built and the French announced its return to Russians.

SNOW CLEARANCE —

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foreman, said, "We're through for this snowfall."

Yesterday saw removal of plowed-up snow piles on King street between Penn and Manatawny streets and scattered plowing and removal.

On Apple street, a narrow thoroughfare always congested when snow falls, on Hanover street and on State street where drainage is almost non-existant, snow was plowed and picked up.

Rental equipment, including the two snow lifters and five trucks, will be released today, Potteiger said, and borough men and equipment will continue a watchdog service of cindering where necessary and keep gutters and storm sewers open.

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THE STREET FOREMAN said he had every available saw-horse barricade blocking streets for sledding.

Lincoln avenue between Evans and Hale streets; Walnut street between Hanover and York; Rice street, Prospect street, between Feist avenue and Spruce street, Willow street and Washington street between the railroad bridge and South street all have been turned into coasting areas.

Barricades also have gone up at Charlotte and East streets, Price and Queen streets and Washington and West streets.

Potteiger bemoaned the fact that the borough's barricades are "borrowed" indiscriminately by so many private citizens. The horses keep on disappearing, he said.

City Council Seats Now Hamburg Soles

LUEBECK, Germany, Dec. 21 (AP)—A number of Hamburg citizens now are literally walking on the Luebeck city fathers' leather seas.

The city hall here had sixteen heavy oaken chairs with seats and backs covered by leather and which were adorned with the impression of the city's coat of arms. After each session of the council the chairs were removed and stored in an allegedly theft-proof room. But this proved no hindrance for thieves who stripped the chairs of their fine leather covers.

A few days after discovery of the theft Hamburg police officials reported that the leather slippers and other foot-wear showing unmistakable signs of the Luebeck origin had turned up on the black market in Hamburg. There is no trace of the burglars, however.

AGREES TO RETURN

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 21 (AP)—Forty-five-year-old Louis Zawacski agreed today to return to Altoona, Pa., to stand charges of armed robbery and holdup.

Bullet in Man's Heart No Laughing Matter

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 21 (AP)—A man who lives near Chattanooga has a bullet in his heart and has been told that he may die laughing.

But he considers as secondary the possibility that a chuckle may clog a ventricle. He has to blow bubbles four or five hours. Each day to strengthen his lungs, punctured by four bullet holes.

Lester Lawson, 38, an automobile mechanic who lives on Suck Creek mountain, suffered the wounds in a gun fight here Nov. 11. The battle brought death to Buck Bowman, 42, former billiard parlor operator, and Lawson has been charged with murder in the slaying.

The bubble-blowing device consists of two jars partially filled with water. They are connected with a rubber hose and each container has a mouthpiece. Lawson blows into one tube and water is forced from one jar to the other. Then the process is reversed.

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DOCTORS STUDIED the warped .38 calibre bullet in the heart with a fluoroscope and noted that it moved each time Lawson breathed. They decided that to operate might prove fatal and that the weakened lungs were a greater problem. Medicine was given to thicken the blood and the hole in Lawson's heart healed.

Lawson said he chuckled when told by doctors to stop laughing. The doctors said laughter might cause the bullet to drop into a ventricle connected with the vital organ.

"I'll be all right," he said, "just as long as I don't bend over too far or stand on my head. I don't worry about nothing. I just figure when it's your time to go you'll go."

Roosevelt Memorial Planned in Melbourne

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 21 (AP)—In addition to the national library's memorial recently unveiled at Canberra, a memorial to the late President Roosevelt is planned for Melbourne.

With the co-operation of the Australian - American association, the people of Melbourne hope that the memorial may be unveiled by King George VI during his visit next year.

Patrick M. Hamilton, president of the Austrian-American association, said his association is already working on plans for a national memorial to the United States forces in the Pacific war.

HUNGARIAN MINISTER QUITS

ISTANBUL, Turkey, Wednesday, Dec. 22 (AP) — George Gulacsy, Hungarian minister to Turkey, resigned today.

PLANE CRASH —

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of the Chinese National Airlines corporation, of which 29-year-old Roosevelt was vice-president.

E. M. Allison, CNAC operations manager at Hong Kong, said the Skymaster crashed in the fog off Basalt island, 10 miles east of Hong Kong, as it was within sight of its goal.

Rescue boats and sea rescue units later removed 31 bodies out of the total of 33, which included the crew," Allison said.

The plane had been reporting its position regularly as it flew down from Shanghai.

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THE PILOT FOUND a break in the clouds over Bias bay, a hangout for Chinese pirates of the south coast, and reported he was letting down ready for the run into Hong Kong. The bay is 40 miles east of Hong Kong.

Then the plane's radio fell silent. Calls from Hong Kong went unanswered. A rescue plane was sent out. It sighted the blazing wreckage. The wreckage still was burning when Hong Kong police arrived.

Roosevelt's wife and three small daughters in Shanghai all but gave up hope that Roosevelt might be safe, a friend said.

They had hoped he might have boarded one of two other CNAC planes, loaded with Chinese, which left at about the same time. But airport officials said Roosevelt had taken the one which went down.

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ROOSEVELT HAS been in China about a year as vice president and a director of CNAC. He was going to Hong Kong on business.

Young Roosevelt was the son of Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt Jr., who died in Normandy in the western front invasion of 1944.

The younger Roosevelt was a decorated veteran with the rank of captain in the North African campaign, where he was wounded.

The CNAC planes for Hong Kong had been grounded for three days in Shanghai by fog.

A backlog of high-priority passengers was built up. When the weather lifted today, two fully-loaded planes took off.

The company still had 26 top-priority passengers, so it ordered the third plane to take off. Roosevelt, who had passed up the first two fully-loaded planes, embarked in the extra plane.

Question on Next War Sends Asker to Asylum

DUESSELDORF, Germany, Dec. 21 (AP) — Asking General Lucius D. Clay, American military governor in Germany, for the date of the outbreak of World War III landed a young German in an insane asylum.

A British military court ordered the transfer of 22-year-old Guenter Quentin to an asylum after psychiatrists found him mentally deranged. Quentin had posed as an English citizen, called Gen. Clay on the telephone in his Berlin headquarters and asked him for the approximate date of the outbreak of the next war.

Free Apple Juice Given To Swiss Children

ZURICH, Switzerland, Dec. 21 (AP)—Free distribution of apple juice to school pupils throughout Switzerland has been resumed by the propaganda office of Swiss agriculture.

It has been ten years since this method of promoting apple juice consumption has been used.

Apple growers say consumption in recent years has gone up 400 percent and attributed it to use of more apple juice, instead of alcoholic beverages, by military personnel.

Polish Government Extends Trade With Italy

WARSAW, Poland, Dec. 21 (AP) — The Polish government and the "Fiat" motorcar works in Turin, Italy, are going to do a lot of business this year. Poles are slated to buy 1600 passenger cars, 350 four-ton trucks, 550 seven-ton trucks, 100 ten-ton trucks, 180 motorbuses and 50 motorbus trailers.

The Italian firm also has licensed Poland to build "Fiat" cars here. A factory, capable of producing 10,000 cars annually, is to be ready for operation within three years.

Snow and Animals Add Realism to Yule Scene

A heavy snowfall provides a final note of realism to a Nativity tableau staged at St. George's Protestant Episcopal church, New York, with live animals playing important roles in the outdoor Christmas pageant. In an effort to make the picture as authentic as possible in the center of a great metropolis, the Rev. Edward O. Miller provided two pedigreed Dorset sheep, a donkey and a baby bull calf. The result is pictured above where children are shown kneeling beside a calf as a part of the Yule pantomime.

BOROUGH BUDGET —

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work for new housing developments would continue in 1949, but that they would be financed by a bond issue, rather than by a capital outlay, as they have been the past year.

"We could have avoided that $10,000 deficit this year if we had done that," Bush pointed out, "but we couldn't go ahead with the bond issue until we were more certain of the housing plans of our contractors."

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ROADS THAT WERE graded and had the base course laid this year will be completed in 1949, he said, while new roadways, to be started in 1949, will be completed in 1950.

This policy allows the road to settle before the top surface is applied.

Allen K. Davidheiser, Eighth ward councilman and finance committee chairman, pointed out that although more sewer work is expected during the coming year, it was ultimately not an expense solely to the borough.

"The borough has to finance them temporarily," he said, "but they will be paid for by the property owners."

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DAVIDHEISER also expressed his doubt that taxes would go up in 1949, but added that he had not seen the tentative budget yet, and that his committee would meet to make its recommendations after the Jan. 10 council session.

Not only a bond issue for road work, but an issue of approximately $75,000 to $100,000 is expected in the coming year for sewer extensions. A $150,000 sewer bond issue was sold the past Summer.

In addition, as soon as the borough receives a State order to construct a secondary sewage disposal plant, it will be faced with floating still another bond issue, to cover the costs, estimated at approximately $400,000.

Rather than use up the greater part of the borough's borrowing capacity, government leaders are expected to call for a revenue bond coupled with a sewer tax.

MAN ADMITS —

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"several nights ago" but did not remember if he had done so the night of the slaying.

Arias made his first oral statement on the slaying to Thurman Cross, immigration inspector at Hammond. Cross said he told "a very coherent story" and refused to answer some questions as to details and said he didn't know other details.

The body of the Rinearson girl, a parochial school pupil, was found in a lonely ditch near a cemetery between Chicago and suburban Elmhurst the past Saturday morning.

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SHE HAD BEEN BEATEN, raped and strangled with her underclothing. The girl had left her home in suburban Brookfield Friday night, saying she was taking a bus to nearby La Grange to see a movie.

Cross said he learned on questioning Arias that the man was naturalized in Chicago in 1942. However, during the questioning, Cross added, Arias suddenly stated:

"I choked that girl but I don't remember much about it. I am foggy about it."

Cross said Arias gave this account: He stole an old automobile in La Grange Friday night near U. S. Highway 12 and Maxwell street, and a short time later forced the girl to get into the car with him, drove somewhere and attacked her.

LOW BID RECEIVED

HARRISBURG, Dec. 21 (AP)—The State Highways department today received an unofficial low bid of $52,965 from L. J. Lutern of Somerset, for construction of an I-beam bridge over Stony Creek and .16 of a mile of bituminous road in Somerset county.

Sees Record

Charles E. Wilson (above), president of General Electric company, said yesterday in New York that the company's sales and profits in 1948 will set an all-time high mark.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deaths 1

ENGLE—On Sunday, Dec. 19, 1948, Harry T. Engle, husband of Blanche (nee Seltzer) Engle, age 66 years. Relatives and friends and employees of Ellis Mills Store are invited to the services from the funeral parlor of Wesley O. Harley, 464 High St. on Friday at 2 p. m. Interment in East Coventry Mennonite cemetery. Friends may call Thursday evening 7 to 8:30. (Harley)

MOYER—In Pottstown formerly of Souderton, on Monday, Dec. 20, 1948, Emma S. (nee Alderfer) widow of Nathaniel S. Moyer, age 78 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the Souderton Mennonite church on Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment in adjoining cemetery. Friends may call at the Hunsicker Funeral Home, 130 E. Broad St., Souderton, Wednesday evening from 7 to 9. Please omit flowers. (Hunsicker)

SANDERSON—In Mont Clare, Monday, Dec. 20, 1948, Laura E., wife of Robert M. Sanderson, age 63 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the White Memorial Home, Parkerford, Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment Pughtown Baptist cemetery. Friends will be received at the Memorial Home Wednesday evening. (White)

Card of Thanks 2

DENGLER

The family of the late Arlene E. Dengler desires to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance and sympathy, the floral tributes and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

ENGLE

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SWAVELY

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Farmer's Market

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21 (AP) — Apples were dull today on the Philadelphia fresh fruit and vegetable market. Prices included: Pa. Starmans U. S. No. 1 $3.50a4.00, 3" $3.65a75, 2¾" $3.50. Romes U. S. No. 1 some grade not marked $2.75, fair $2.25, 2¾" $2.75, 2¼" $1.75a2.25. Paragons U. S. No. 1 $2.75a3.00. Yorks some fair $2.50. Beets, steady. Pa. bu. basket topped washed 80a90c. Cabbage, firm 50-lb. sacks, Pa. Danish 75a85c. Carrots, about steady. Pa. topped washed bu. bskts. 75a90c. Celery slightly weaker. Pa. Golden wired and tied bunches, 10a12c, some 15c. Lettuce, Ariz. iced pack 5-doz. $5.50a6.00. Parsnips, Pa. ½ bu. bskts. washed 60a75c. Potatoes, about firm. Pa. U. S. No. 1 100-lb. sacks Katahdins $3.25a3.35.

LANCASTER LIVESTOCK

LANCASTER, Dec. 21 (AP)—Cattle 124, few lots of good quality local fed cattle sold 50 cents higher, other grades steady. Calves, 230. Light receipts and steady hogs, 210, handyweights slow at $24 to $24; sheep 14. No lambs.

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Pullets-Leghorn	28	26	28
Pullets-Colored	55½	34½	45
Roasters-Co	63	35	53½
Capon Slips	72	60	67
Capons	79½	67	74
Springers-Col	40	32	36
Broilers-Leg	32	32	32
Broilers-Col.	36	36	36
Ducks	57½	30	40
Geese	55½	50	53½
Guineas	84	84	84
Turkey Hens	82	72	76½
Turkey Toms	69	55	64
Rabbits	39	26	33
Pigeons-per pair	40	40	40

Total Crates Sold—1021.

EGGS

WHITE—	High	Low	Ave.
Fancy Large	75	68	71¼
Fancy Medium	59	56	57¾
Extra Large	53	53	67¾
Extra Medium	53	53	55½
Standard Large	64	59	60½
Stand. Medium	56	54½	55
Pullets	52	51	51½
Peewees	46	46	46
BROWN—			
Fancy Large	71	61	65¼
Fancy Medium	58	52½	55¼
Extra Large	70	60½	62
Extra Medium	56	53	54
Standard Large	62½	58	59¼
Stand. Medium	54½	52½	53½
Pullets	52½	49	51½
Peewees	45	45	45
Jumbo	93	80	83
Ducks	75	70	71

Total Cases Sold—675

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LOST—Small over night bag containing lights and extension cords, vic. Washington House, Beaterville and Pottstown on Rte. 100, Fri. morning. Reward. Phone 1861-J

LOST—Lady's brown leather wallet, vic. 4th and York Sts. Contained driver's lic., other valuable cards and change. Reward. Phone 3673-W.

LOST SUNDAY — Black alligator wallet. Reward. Edna Dellecker, 332 Chestnut St. Phone 1566-J

LOST—Lady's black wallet, vic. Newberry's, Mon. night. Reward. Barbara Bytner. Phone 2994-M

AUTOMOTIVE

Automobiles for Sale 11

39 Chevrolet Bus. Coupe. R. and H. Good cond. Priced to sell. Phone Boyertown 7-9951.

1941 Plymouth Station Wagon, R. & H. A-1 condition. Phone 1543J after 5 p. m.

1941 Chevrolet 4-dr. Sedan, R. & H., spotlight, A-1 condition. Ralph Noss, Congo.

1935 Dodge Coupe, rumble seat, radio, good condition. Phone 3657-R after 6 p. m.

1946 Plymouth 4-dr. Sedan, R. & H., 12,000 actual miles. Phone 2400

41 DeSoto, R. & H., good cond., $875. Friedman, Shaner's Trailer Park, Spring Ave. after 5:30 p. m.

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40 Ply. 2-dr. Sedan, exceptional.
41 Chevrolet Special Deluxe 2-dr. Sedan, like new
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47 Ford Tudor	1495

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36 Ford 4-dr. Sedan
36 Buick 4-dr. Sedan
37 Nash Ambassador 2-dr. Sedan
37 Ford ½ ton Pick-up
38 Pontiac 4 dr. Sedan
39 Pontiac 2-dr. Sedan

40 DeSoto Club Coupe
40 Oldsmobile 4-dr. Sedan
41 Packard Clipper 4-dr. Sedan
41 Buick 4-dr. Sedan
41 Chevrolet Town Sedan
41 Buick Super Club Coupe
41 Chrysler 4-dr. Sedan

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46 Ford Station Wagon
46 Chevrolet Sport Sedan
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47 Chevrolet Fleetline Aerosedan
47 Chevrolet Convertible
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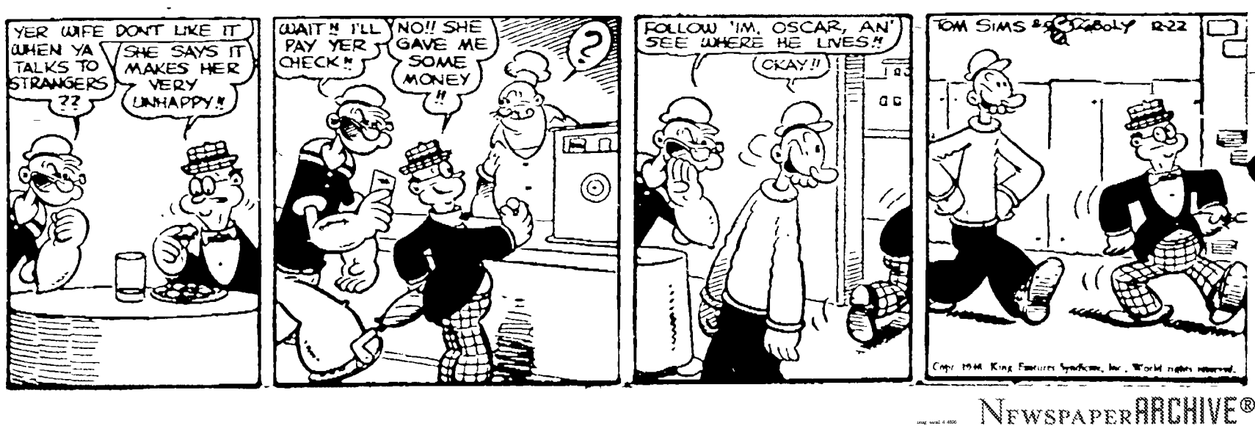

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vs
DOROTHY J. SNYDER HAMEL
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Senator Calls for Conference to Bring Labor, Business and Farmer Into Accord

WASHINGTON, Dec 21 (AP) – A national conference to bring labor, business and the farmer into agreement on long range policies was demanded on Capitol Hill tonight.

Senator Flanders (R-Vt) said they must consider what principles are best for the nation's economy, and study the effect on the government of wage negotiations and prices.

Flanders

Flanders, chairman of a House-Senate economic subcommittee looking into business profits, declared he will ask the Senate to sponsor such a conference if the administration doesn't call it in the next few months.

Both he and Senator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo), a committee member, have said they favor such a meeting.

Flanders said that negotiations cannot continue on wages, or action be taken on prices without considering the effect on the problem of raising tax revenues.

"The government is looking for more pie to cut," Flanders said, "and it must have more pie. But we are reaching the saturation point on the amount of pie there is to be cut."

He made known his position as the committee ended its profits hearing.

Flanders said of the hearings that business leaders "made a better case for their profits than I expected." Business spokesmen argued that their profits are not too high because they are needed to meet a growing demand for greater and greater production.

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BUT FLANDERS TEMPERED his statement with a warning to "big business."

"I am disturbed about the irresistible growth of the big, efficient corporations," he said. "No matter how well they are justified they can not keep growing indefinitely without changing the social and economic system.

"They had better think seriously about this."

Benjamin Fairless, president of United States Steel, told the committee that steel production can hit new highs in 1949 but that the present demand isn't going on forever.

Fairless

The industry is turning out a record 65,000,000 tons of finished product this year and can go to 68,000,000 next year, barring labor trouble, Fairless said.

However, the present high demand is "unrealistic" and there are indications that the pressure for steel is being relieved, the executive observed. He made it clear he sees no drop in demand in 1949 below the 65,000,000-ton production of this year—"quite the contrary."

And he emphasized that he does not want to be quoted as forecasting a depression.

The committee is studying profits to guide preparation of tax, labor and other legislation in the new Congress.

Along this line:

1. Senator Johnson (D-Col) told a reporter that he "might support an excess profits tax on corporation if it includes a special job-making exemption for small business."

He said he meant an exemption up to $25,000 a year in profits for small corporations if this money is plowed back into capital investments that create more jobs.

There is speculation that President Truman will propose a third time that Congress restore the excess profits tax on corporations to boost revenues and ease inflation by discouraging price boosts.

2. A Chamber of Commerce official, Dr. Emerson P. Schmidt, told the committee that taxes already are too high and that a Federal boost might mean "an inflationary revolt."

Such has been the case among the people in numerous countries when the tax burden reached about a fourth of the national income and that's where it is here counting Federal, state and local levies, Schmidt said in a prepared statement. He is the chamber's director of economic research.

3. Another U S Steel executive, Enders M Voorhees, said the firm is not setting aside any funds as a "cushion" against a possible depression.

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VOORHEES, CHAIRMAN of the corporation's finance committee, said that it hasn't charged as much for its products as its customers "are entirely willing to pay." He said "its income as a percent of sales was six percent" in 1947 and for the first nine months of 1948 was five percent.

Fairless shook his head over the drain on America's raw resources for the production of steel.

This country is producing 57 percent of the world's steel, he said. He questioned whether such expenditure of raw materials is wise and said that some day we may "regret it very much."

Fairless also said his firm is spending $900,000,000 for new facilities and improved equipment.

TREASURY BALANCE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 (AP)—The position of the Treasury Dec 17: Receipts $589,491,503.11; expenditures $99,337,345.63, balance $3,926,624,582.57; total debt $252,114,168,894.09; decrease under previous day $35,007,846.86.

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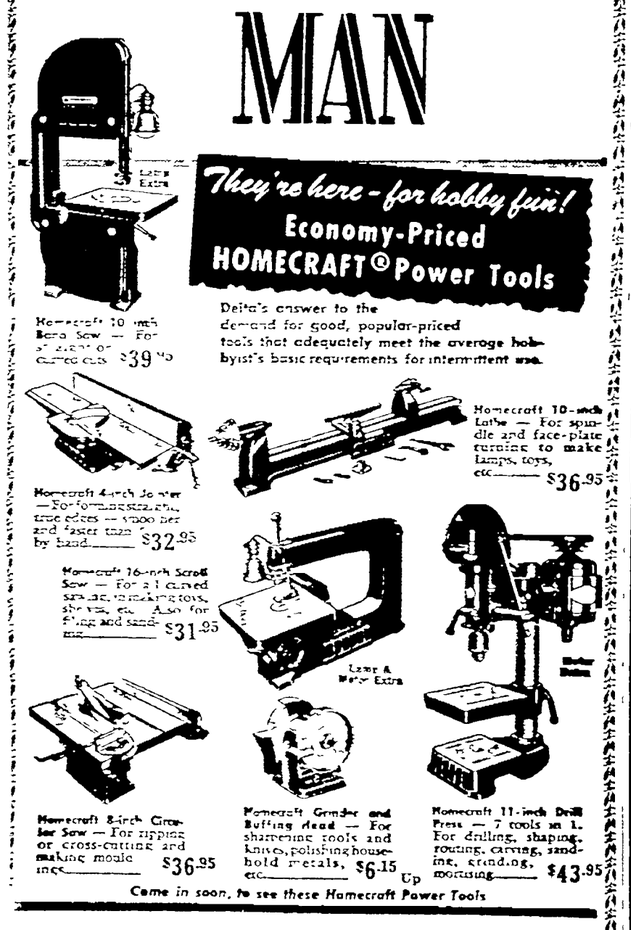

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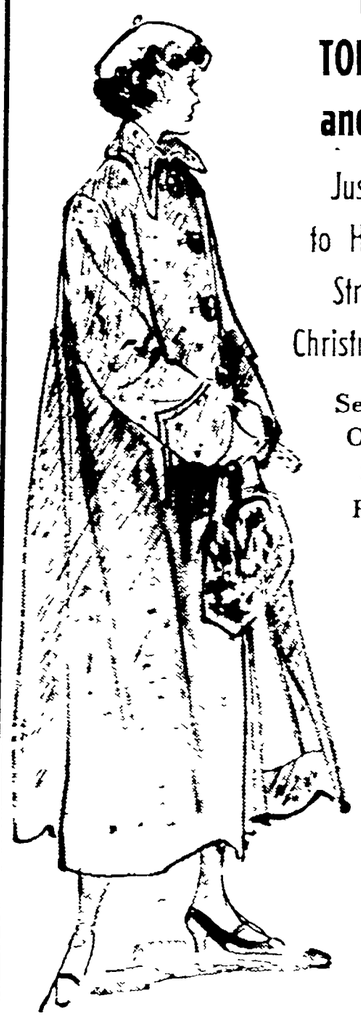

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